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THE *President's* PAGE

As I write this article I am in a plane heading back home from Seattle where I attended the Washington State Meeting. It is difficult for me to concentrate for my eyes keeping going back to the beautiful sights. Have you ever flown high in the clouds with the sun shining through, and now and then a mountain peak showing? Things of beauty which made me realize even more the wonders of nature.

The meeting was wonderful and I thoroughly enjoyed every minute of my stay. It was my first visit to the Northwest and I was pleasantly impressed with beautiful country.

Typical of our societies throughout the country the Washington girls had worked hard to bring to their members an educational program with very excellent speakers and clinic presentations.

Someone has said "The richest reward that comes from doing good work is the ability to do better work." How true this is. In being willing to take an office or work on a committee we are preparing ourselves to do better work because we profit from experience. Consider any work we might do as another way of furthering our education, because in everything we do we learn something new. Our good work as a committee member is a great assist when the time comes that we take office in our Local, State or National association. The saying goes "We only get out of anything just what we put into it." If we do a good job of anything we undertake we'll be happier in the knowledge that we are doing our best.

Many of you have recently attended your annual State meetings. The success of these meetings did not just happen but was the results of hard work and planning of the Officers and committees. These girls gave of their time plus their experience in arranging the program which you enjoyed. We are coming to that time of year when we begin to think of vacations. The rest and new surroundings that we enjoy during the vacation period will revive and renew our enthusiasm and interest in our work. I am hoping that many of you are planning to take your vacation to coincide with our Annual Meeting in November in Miami. It will not only be a wonderful opportunity to visit the vacation land of Florida but to meet our members from all over the country who will assemble there for our 30th Annual Meeting. Florida is a beautiful spot where the sun shines every day. I assure you that a wonderful time is in store for all who attend. The Florida girls are working hard to make this another memorable meeting.

May I impress on you to make your hotel reservations early. The Roney Plaza Hotel on Miami Beach is to be our headquarters. All reservations must be made through the ADA Housing Bureau.

Before you receive another copy of our Journal we will have celebrated Independence Day. Let us all give a prayer of thanks to Him who watches over us all that we live in a country where we have, without dictatorship, the right and privilege to belong to such an organization as our own American Dental Assistants Association.

Sincerely,
LILLIAN HOFFMAN, *President.*

Professional Ethics

By: DR. RUSSELL I. TODD, Richmond, Ky.

Some twelve years ago I attended a testimonial dinner, given in honor of a member of my component society. This doctor had completed fifty years of dental practice. His reputation for neatness, cleanliness, efficiency, punctuality, honesty, sincerity, and devotion to his profession extended beyond the confines of his local community. My location was only about forty miles from his and I would occasionally see patients who had visited his office. Their expressed opinion of him was a genuine personal and professional compliment.

At this dinner I was both pleased and surprised to hear the principal speaker give nearly as much praise to the doctor's assistant as he gave to the doctor himself. She had been his loyal D.A. for more than 30 years. It was then and there that I learned of the importance of teamwork in the dental office. Not once did the speaker refer to the lady as auxiliary help. She was a co-worker. She did not work for the doctor, but she and the doctor were working for the dental health of the public. And the public appreciated their services. They appreciated it for its true value. They were not "shoppers" and looking for bargains, because fees were in line with good dentistry. Yet, they were not such that services could be had only by a wealthy few. The services not only included good dentistry but they included those many little but important details which made for the patients' comfort and other considerations. Upon arrival they were greeted by the assistant calling their names, and confidence was inspired by a smile. They were treated as guests, and made to feel at ease in a clean and neat reception room. Even sedatives for nervous patients were sometimes given, proper attention given children, delays if any were explained, and magazines or other reading materials of recent date were suggested to pass the time.

The operating room was cleanliness itself. Soap and water and a little elbow grease were their cheapest supplies and they were freely used. Operating procedures were conducted with clock work precision. Beside the doctor on the cabinet was a small sheet of paper with the name and time of each appointment—time allotted for same—and a brief but sufficiently informative note as to just what was to be done. On the cabinet and out of sight of patient was another sheet of paper on which the assistant would jot down information to the doctor as to the arrival of appointments, names of unscheduled patients, phone information and other "goings on" in the office. This was all done without the knowledge of the patient in the chair. A gentle pull on the operator's gown was his signal to notice the information sheet. Suggestions to do this or that were rarely ever spoken. The doctor and the assistant seemed to understand just what the other was about to do. In fact the D.A. was usually a jump or two ahead of the doctor. If he were preparing a certain cavity for a certain type of filling, she would know by observing, what materials to have ready, what matrix band, and for what surface of what tooth. These would be ready when needed and suggestions concerning them were not necessary. This surely required the keenest observation and assisting, but it made not only for efficiency, but it certainly made a hit with the patients. And when the patients departed they were made to feel that it had been a pleasure and a privilege to have rendered them a professional service.

Not only were the patients appreciative of such services, but I know the doctor was most grateful for such splendid cooperation. To be relieved of the many details so necessary to the efficient operation of any dental office, by a good manager, is an answer to the prayer of any D.D.S. In the final analysis, the dental assistant is the business manager of the

dental office. The good business manager arranges appointments with the utmost of ease and efficiency, uses neatly printed appointment cards, remains poised and calm in case of a possible mix up, is tactful with patients who make unreasonable requests, maintains a call list of patients who can be contacted in case of broken appointments, and does all these and more too without even disturbing the doctor. She is thoughtful of him and this leaves more time for the many things that he and only he can do.

I am sure the poet must have had the fullest understanding and realized the utmost necessity for such teamwork when he wrote:

"We all have a share in the beauty,
We all have a part in the plan,
So what does it matter what duty
Falls to the lot of man.

Someone has blended the plaster,
Someone has carried the stone,
But never the man nor the Master
Has builded a thing alone.

Perhaps a roof from the weather
Or even a palace for a king,
But always working together
Have men ever accomplished a thing."

But why am I using so many words telling you about a beloved doctor, since departed, and his D.A. The subject assigned to me was "Professional Ethics for the Dental Assistant." Well, what I have been talking about *is* professional ethics. Ethics is an old subject, I suppose as old as man himself. Perhaps we have called it something else, but our correct dealings with our fellow men has always had to do with ethics. I have found many definitions for the word Ethics and I believe the best to be "common sense applied to good morals." It is a practical application of the Golden Rule. Hippocrates, the famous Greek physician made some direct references to ethics in his famous Hippocratic oath, written some 400 years B.C. The greatest teacher of this subject of all times was none other than Christ himself. His life and His teachings are our greatest examples of true ethics. Truly, if you want the world's best reading material on this subject, I refer you to the four Gospels of the New Testament. So, when we are talking about our correct relationship, between members of the dental office personnel and between them and the public as well as professional colleagues we are talking about professional ethics.

It is a compliment to the profession of dentistry that so many fine ladies with such high ideals, putting service above self, have come to our assistance. The mere fact that your parent organization, the American Association of Dental Assistants has so organized and adopted such a splendid code of ethics in your By-Laws is proof of this statement. Although the proposed revision of your By-Laws was adopted only last year, one would think that the D.A. to which I have specifically made reference had used your present code as a guide to her every day conduct. For a comparison I will quote the first three Sections of Article XIV of your By-Laws.

Section 1. Service. The spirit of the Golden Rule should be the guiding principle of conduct for the dental assistant. In all her contacts with the dental profession and society she should maintain honesty, loyalty and a desire to serve to the best of her ability, her employer and his patients.

Section 2. Duties. The dental assistant should give to her employer the cooperation he needs to serve his patients capably and efficiently. She will hold in confidence the details of professional services rendered by her employer. She should refrain from performing any service for patients which require the professional competence of the dentist, or which may be prohibited by the dental practice act of the state in which she is employed.

Section 3. Criticism. She should avoid making any disparaging remarks about the conduct of the profession she serves.

or of her employer's treatment of his patients.

In addition to Service and Duties, the section dealing with Criticism is of utmost importance. More confidence has been lost in the practice of dentistry, more ill will has been brought about among members of the dental profession, more patients have been lost, and more malpractice suits have been filed, due to Criticism, than any other one thing.

Another section, dealing with Education, that was not quoted, is of utmost importance. It states that you have the obligation of increasing your skill and efficiency by availing yourself of educational opportunities provided by your organizations.

Yes, this code of ethics is a splendid guide to the every day conduct of every D.A. I would suggest a copy of it be framed and placed in a suitable place for frequent inspection.

The Value of Compliments

I have often thought about the Compliment Club, organized by George W. Crane MD., Ph.D., famed psychologist of Northwestern University and author of a syndicated newspaper column. Membership in this club would not only give us an opportunity to improve our personalities but would be a splendid means of adding to our happiness and to the happiness of those with whom we come in contact. To be a member of this club you must pay an *honest* compliment each day to at least three different people for thirty days. What greater opportunity could anyone have than that of a D.A. who sees so many different people each day? Mrs. Jones brings a bouquet of roses from her garden for your reception room. She is a thoughtful, artistic, and observing person, has gone out of her way to do something for you. An appropriate compliment from you would make two people happy. Mr. Brown arriving with the big cigar with the powerful aroma asks for a place to dispose of it because he didn't want the objectionable odor in the office. Surely a compliment could not be overlooked here. Mrs. Lutes displayed that excellent and almost unusual good sense when she asked you to take little Willie into the operating room without her, because she knew it would be better that way. What a shame to take her good judgment for granted. Mr. Doe is always on time for his appointments and Mrs. Doe has the nicest speaking voice over the phone, and she always gets right to the point, realizing that your time is valuable. We do appreciate this and surely we want them to know it. Yes, opportunities for genuine and honest compliments present themselves in the dental office many times daily. To take advantage of them is not asking too much of anyone, it is gratifying to the recipient, and it is another small but compensating experience. Everyone appreciates an honest compliment.

The most worthwhile and satisfying compliment that can come to us is from ourselves. There are many opportunities and sometimes temptations to do or say things that only ourselves will be the wiser. If we can say to ourselves that we have done our best and have shunned this temptation, this compliment is truly genuine. The thought that I am trying to express has been so well done by Dale Wimbro who wrote,

"The Guy in the Glass"

When you get what you want in your struggle for Self,
And the world makes you king for a day,
Then go to the mirror and look at yourself,
And see what that guy has to say.

For it isn't your father, or mother, or wife,
Who judgment upon you must pass;
The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life
Is the guy staring back from the glass.

He's the feller to please, never mind the rest
For he's with you clear up to the end,
And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test

If the guy in the glass is your friend.

You may be like Jack Horner and "chisel" a plum,
And think you're a wonderful guy,
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye.

You can fool the whole world down the pathway of years
And get pats on the back as you pass,
But your final reward will be heartaches and tears
If you've cheated the guy in the glass.

Be true to yourself and to your fellowman, put service above self, practice the Golden Rule—this is common sense applied to good morals. And this is my answer to the question, what is *Professional Ethics for The Dental Assistant?*

Presented before the Kentucky Dental Assistants Association, Louisville, Ky., at their annual meeting in April.

WE NEED YOUR "ASSIST"

Destination Miami! Are you going? Why don't you decide right now to take your vacation November 8-11, and be with us in Florida. As long as you are in a "deciding" mood, why don't you make another decision—to represent your State Association by going as a clinician!

This committee has a "pipe dream" which you as an individual can help fulfill. It is our desire that each State Association be represented at the National Meeting with a poster and at least one clinician. Please consider this a personal invitation to participate. Education is one of our goals, and surely clinics and posters point toward that goal. If you have a "short cut" or are especially adept at some phase of your duties as an assistant, it is your responsibility to share it with other assistants. This part of the meeting belongs to each member of the ADAA—please help us "put it over."

If you desire to clinic or make a poster, contact your State chairman or officers and I am sure they will be more than willing to give you the specific information you need. If I can be of any help, please feel free to write me, for I am anxious to ASSIST in any way I can. I must have clinic and poster information by July 1st, so don't delay!

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A NEW RULE

Most of you have, on some occasion, attended a play, a musical comedy, or a show of some sort. Can you remember the comments you might have made on the way out from the theatre? You will, no doubt, agree that feminine instinct, most always, will lead women to comment on the appearance of the actors and the beautiful costumes they wore. In fact, without the beautiful costumes, the play or musical would probably prove less interesting, don't you agree?

With this in mind, let us consider your role in the dental office drama. Are you correctly dressed to play the part of a dental assistant? Do you suppose your patients speak of your neat appearance and your trim uniform, on leaving your office?

The American Dental Assistants Certification Board, having considered the importance of the dental assistant's uniform, wishes to announce the recent establishment of a new rule which will require all dental assistants to wear the ADAA approved uniform on the day of the examinations for Certification.

In order that dental assistants may maintain the standards set up for them by the ADAA and the ADACB, it is strongly recommended that they continue.

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HANDS

By: J. WAYNE DRASH, *Minister, First Christian Church, Birmingham, Ala.*

We often take for granted the things that are of the most value to us. It has been said, "Familiarity breeds contempt." It could also be said just as truly that "Familiarity breeds indifference." Who, for example, ever stops to think about the importance of his hands. Most of us take them for granted; but think how valuable they are to us. They are indispensable; we would be helpless without them. We could not dress ourselves, feed ourselves, or do our daily work. Hands give expression to the thoughts of the mind. Success in the realm of the cultivation of the soil, the building of our highways, the manufacturing of the articles that uphold our material civilization, are all the result of the hands working in co-ordination with the minds of men. Consider also what has been achieved in the realm of sculpture, painting and literature as the result of the artistry of men and women. Apart from the hand, speech is the only important instrument of the brain that distinguishes man from the lower animals.

The way a person shakes hands with his fellow man also reveals character. The grasp of a hand may also indicate friendship and affection.

There are three things that we may do with our hands. First, we may *wring* them. People under nervous tension and feeling a sense of futility may sit down and wring their hands. It has been said that emotional tension is the major disease of this generation. Many medical authorities have stated that nearly one-half the beds of the hospitals of America are occupied by people who have emotional and nervous disturbances. One eminent doctor has made the following estimate: one-third of all the cases in our hospitals are due to organic trouble; one-third are due to a combination of organic and emotional disturbances; and another third are due entirely to emotional upsets. We are living at a rapid pace and are exposed to more pressures and tensions than the generation before us. These conditions have a very definite effect upon the mental and physical health of our people. One of the great problems which we face is that of mastering the emotional side of life. Books and magazine articles are being written in great abundance on such subjects as the following: "How to Obtain Peace of Mind," "The Art of Relaxation," "How to Overcome Tension," etc. Even Satchel Paige, a Negro pitcher for the St. Louis Browns whose age is unknown, has offered six rules for staying young. (1) Avoid fried meats which angry up the blood. (2) If your stomach disputes you, lie down and pacify it with cool thoughts. (3) Keep the juices flowing by jangling around gently as you move. (4) Go very lightly on the vices, such as carrying on in society. The social ramble ain't restful. (5) Avoid running at all times. (6) Don't look back. Something might be gaining on you.

Satchel's advice reminds me of the advice of a Negro woman who said, "When I sets, I sets loose like." Robert Louis Stevenson said the same thing in different words, "Sit loosely in the saddle of life." Stevenson, who shook off the fell clutch of circumstance, became an expert in the art of living.

Mary Pickford, in an article entitled "Why Not Try God," stated, "I have a philosophy that evolved over the years. It has helped me through every heartbreak and discouragement, has stood by me through every unhappy experience. What looks like the end of the road in our personal experience is only the turn in the road, the beginning of a new and more beautiful journey. I have always tried to live by that philosophy and it has kept me happy. You are never beaten unless you give up. You may have a fresh

start any moment you choose. This thing we call failure is not the falling down but the staying down." Mary Pickford is a living example of a person who was not content to wring her hands in the midst of discouragement.

The second thing you can do with your hands is to *fold* them. You can live a life of inactivity. You can live a life that has no altruistic purpose. In the parable of the good Samaritan Jesus condemned the priest and the Levite because they folded their hands when they should have used them in service. Someone has said that service is the rent we pay for the space we occupy.

In the celebrated story of Rip Van Winkle there is an interesting sidelight. Rip frequented an Inn before his twenty years of sleep. When he awoke from this long nap he discovered that the name of George III of England had been replaced by the name of George Washington, the father of his country. Rip Van Winkle had slept through a revolution. We are living in a day of revolution which calls for the dedication of the hands and hearts and minds of men and women.

The third thing that you may do with your hands is to *use* them. Human life is like a corridor which has doors opening off into other rooms representing other lives. The high art of living consists in being able to open these doors with the kindly hand of service. A few years ago in Paris there died a woman who had the dubious reputation of being the best dressed woman in Europe. The only legacy she left was a thousand frocks. She left no wide circle of friends, no gracious ministry of service. Some years ago in England a man died who had only one suit of clothes, a blue suit with a red collar, William Booth, the founder of the Salvation Army. A woman with a worthless life smothered by a thousand frocks, a man possessing one suit of clothes whose gracious influence has encircled the globe. The appeal for the consecrated use of our hands is expressed through the following poem:

"Live and let live was the call of the old,
The call of the world when the world was cold,
The call of men who pulled apart
The call of a race with a chill on its heart.

But live and help live is the cry of the new,
The cry of a world with a dream shining through,
The cry of the brother-world rising to birth,
The cry of a Christ for a comradelike earth."

When and Where

American Dental Assistants Association: Thirtieth Annual Session — November 8-11, 1954, Roney Plaza Hotel, Miami Beach, Florida. President, Lillian Hoffman, 753 N. Main Street, Akron, Ohio. General Secretary, Nita Browning, 1001 Tribune Building, Salt Lake Ciyt, Utah. Executive Secretary, Mary L. Martin, 410 First National Bank Bldg., La Porte, Ind.

STATE MEETINGS

Georgia Dental Assistants Association—October 11-13, 1954, Ansley Hotel, Atlanta, Ga. President, Harriet Stone, V. A. Dental Clinic, Blun Bldg., Savannah, Ga. Secretary, Claire Williamson, 211 Medical Arts Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Indiana Dental Assistants Association—May 17-19, 1954, Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind. President, Vera Purseley 1540 N. Meridian, Apt. 6, Indianapolis, Ind. Secretary, Mathilda Turley, 2308 W. Franklin Street, Evansville, Ind.

Iowa Dental Assistants Association—May 3-5, 1954, Hotel Kirkwood, Des Moines, Iowa. President, Oriett Clark, 509 Grand Ames, Iowa. Secretary, Peggy Stevenson, Britt, Iowa.

Nebraska Rental Assistants Association—

May 10 12, 1954, Castle Hotel, Omaha, Nebr. President, Mable Heuermann, 140½ South 39th Street, Omaha, Nebr .Secretary, Anna E. Wurm, 940 Stuart Bldg., Linclon, Nebr.

North Dakota Dental Assistants Association —May 24-26, 1954, Patterson Hotel, Bismarck, North Dakota. President, Alida Peterson, c/o Dr. McPhails, Fargo, North Dakota. Secretary, Dolores Soli, 506 Security Bldg., Grand Forks, North Dakota.

Ohio Dental Assistants Association—October 17-21, 1954, Sheraton-Gibson Hotel, Cincinatti, Ohio. President, Anne Wetzel, 510 Fidelity Bldg., Dayton, Ohio. Secretary, Eleanor Sterling, 520 Fidelity Bldg., Dayton, Ohio.

Pennsylvania Dental Assistants Association —October 4-7, 1954, William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa. President, Marion Israelson, 228 Union Station Bldg., Erie, Pa. Secretary, Sally Cochran, 800 Commerce Bldg., Erie Pa.

South Dakota Dental Assistants Association —May 20-22, 1954, Cataract Hotel, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. President, Ann Schmidt, 820 North Maple Street, Watertown, South Dakota. Secretary, Rachel White, Parker, South Dakota.

Kansas Dental Assistants Association—May 16-20, 1954, Allis Hotel, Wichita, Kansas. President, Modine Patterson, 515 Kansas Ave., Topeka, Kansas. Secretary, Ellen Emmel, 1406 John Street, Winfield, Kansas.

Missouri Dental Assistants Association— June 13-17, 1954, Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Mo. President, Grace Roath, 4952 Maryland Street, St. Louis, Mo. Secretary, Mae Collins, 902 Waldheim Bldg., Kansas City, Mo.

New Jersey Dental Assistants Association— May 6, 1954, Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City, N. J. President, Alice Eder, 434 Haddon Ave., Camden, N. J.

New York Dental Assistants Association— May 10-12, 1954, Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. J. Presdient, Eldora Moore, 101 Elm Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Secretary, Mary Keegan, 33-41 29th St., Astoria, N. Y.

North Carolina Dental Assistants Association—May 16-19, 1954, Holly Inn Hotel, Pinehurst, N. C. President, Edna Zedaker, 308 Medical Arts Bldg., Charlotte, N. C. Secretary, Lillian Callicutt, 301 C. Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, N. C.

South Carolina Dental Assistants Association—May 23-26, 1954, Jefferson Hotel, Columbia, S. C. President, Lorraine Easterby, 88 Wenthworth St., Charleston, S. C. Secretary, Hazel Wilkinson, 1508 Washington Street, Columbia, S. C.

Tennessee Dental Assistants Association— May 10-13, 1954, Patton Hotel, Chattanooga, Tenn. President, Clara Blackwell, 300 Chickamauga Road, Chatanooga, Tenn. Secretary, Zelma Lokey, 905 Medical Arts Bldg., Chatanooga, Tenn.

West Virginia Dental Assistants Association —July 25-28, 1954, Greenbriar Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va. President, Olive Steinbeck, 804 Kanakha Bank & Trust Bldg., Charleston, W. Va. Secretary, Rita Spaniol, 304 Atlas Bldg., Charleston, W. Va.

Massachusetts Dental Assistants Association, Inc.—May 2-5, 1954, Hotel Statler, Boston, Mass. President, Idama Carr, 482 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. Secretary, Marie V. St. Germain, 629 Washington Street, Dorchester, Mass.

Vermont Dental Hygienists & Assistants Association — May 16-18, 1954, Woodstock Inn, Woodstock, Vermont. President, Patricia S. Corruth, 20 Western Ave., Brattleboro, Vermont. Secretary, M. Louise duFault, 25 Liberty Street, Montpelier, Vermont.

Connecticut Dental Assistants Association— June 2-4, 1954, Hotel Bond, Hartford, Conn. President, Winifred Ireland, 55 Wall Street, Norwalk Conn. Secretary, Helen Henczel, 44 North Main Street, South Norwalk, Conn.

New Hampshire Dental Assistants Association — June 13-15, 1954, Mountain View House, Whitfield, N. H. President, Ella Curtis, 36 Charlotte Ave., Nashua, N. H. Secretary, Irene S. Jarvis, 509 Lake Ave., Manchester, N. H.

Maine-Penobscot Valley Dental Assistants Assoication—June 28-30, 1954, Hotel Samoset, Rockland, Maine. President, Joanne Clark, 81 Pearl Street, Bangor, Maine. Secretary, Hazel Doyen 1296 Hammond Street, Bangor, Maine.

FRIENDS UNKNOWN

I would that I might closely know
My friends unknown to me.
They circle me with kindly thoughts
And mystic sympathy.

They are to me the hidden strength
I need to bear me up.
They are to me a sweeter draught
Than wine from crystal cup.

I would that I might send to them
The gratitude I owe.
I would that I might on their lives
An equal boon bestow.

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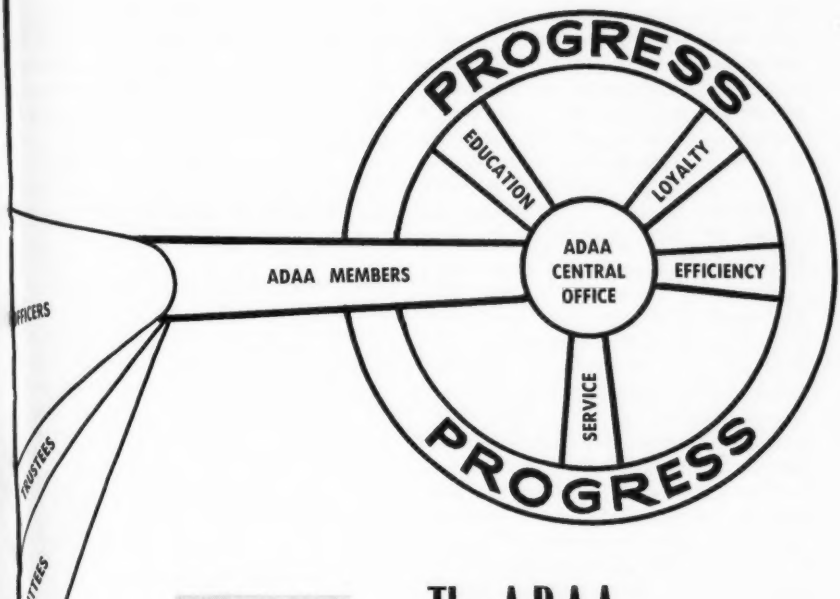
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The A.D.A.A. Wheel of Progress

The ADAA Central Office has been likened to the center of the wheel of progress of our association; with its officers and members being the force of the axle and the means of its power to progress; the spokes of the wheel, brightly illuminated and bearing the words, Efficiency—Education—Loyalty — Service, as a reminder of our objective.

In reality the ADAA central office is comparatively new to the ADAA. For almost 24 years there was a wheel of progress in motion, but its center was not in the form of a central office. It was a wheel, nevertheless, and it turned very successfully with a center that was strong. A center that, while never intended to be the permanent one, worked. It worked because the force of its axle, its officers and members, was so strong that it could not fail. The members and officers in

days past had such determination, such faith, such foresight that despite obstacles, and under extremely difficult conditions at times, they continued to move along toward the goal that was set for them. Perhaps at times it seemed the wheel had almost come to a stop, the driving force seemed to weaken, the wheel creaked and groaned under the load. Yet, thanks to our predecessors, it never stopped turning.

We are thinking of the year 1927 when Ruth F. Rogers took over as General Secretary with an organization of some 16 societies, and 400 members, when a steamer trunk filled with the Secretary's files arrived from New York, and Ruth's uncle, Mr. E. P. Kenyon, interested in our infant organization, furnished the use of his office to house the few Secretary's files, and furnished typewriters, tables, stationery and postage to help keep the wheel moving. Of the members of the Chicago Association who took upon themselves a part of the responsibility of the duties of the office and assisted with the work of packaging and mailing convention programs, checking membership lists found in trade journals (when there was a 33% annual change of names) doing whatever was necessary in the way of correspondence, often working until the wee hours of the morning. Many other members, officers and otherwise, offered their services and gave their time during those years to keep the wheel moving. Many of these same members are still serving capably when called upon.

We are thinking of the eleventh annual meeting in St. Paul, Minnesota, in 1934 when Lucille Hodge of Tennessee (Lucille Hodge Lancaster) was elected General Secretary, which office she held until 1940, serving five presidents. By now the membership had reached 1300. At the end of her six years in this office it was over 3000.

It was during these years that brochures were started. The Information Booklet of the ADAA, and many others are still followed along the same lines today. To quote Lucille: "I spent 15 to 16 hours a week doing the routine detail work, handling as much of the work as possible, for we felt that only through the central office idea could we expect continued growth of the ADAA. By necessity, the work of the ADAA was decentralized, much of it done by various committee chairmen and officers, but even then we had dreams of a central office and tried to centralize as much of the work as possible. At that time all dues were collected and membership cards signed and mailed from this office, all receipts accounted for and forwarded to the Treasurer, all vouchers made and signed here, all records of the association were kept. Registration at annual meetings was conducted by the General Secretary with the aid of local members, typing of the directory and annual meeting programs was done, pins ordered and distributed and stationery and supplies distributed. Only the mimeographing was done by commercial people. Hundreds of pieces of mail went out and hundreds of pieces were received annually."

In 1934, two steamer trunks and one used typewriter was the equipment owned by the association. That year a 4-drawer steel filing cabinet was purchased, and the management of the building, in which Lucille's employer had his office, supplied a small storage room, gratis. In 1940, Lucille declined nomination for re-election to the office of General Secretary, and the title of Honorary Secretary was conferred upon her. Of this Lucille says, "I was always pleased and happy with the many expressions of appreciation from the officers and members, and I was particularly happy to accept the title of Honorary Secretary conferred on me by the Board of Trustees."

Following Lucille was another most efficient member who served as General Secretary from 1940 to 1948. A still active member, whom all attending ADAA annual meetings for the past 14 years have come to know, love, admire and respect. Her efficiency, her broad and sound think-

ing, her foresight, her willingness to keep abreast with the times, to accept changes, to grow and progress during those years she carried out all the secretarial duties of the organization still reflects within the ADAA. She is Aileen M. Ferguson of Jamaica Plain, Mass.

At the beginning of her eight-year period as General Secretary the total membership consisted of 144 affiliated societies with 3146 members. Late in 1940 a part-time assistant was employed to work 20 hours each week, and together with the General Secretary a total of 40 hours each week was devoted to the task of administering the details of the Secretary's office. The space to house the association's equipment was a room in Aileen's home, which she converted into an office. At the end of the eight-year period the ADAA had grown to encompass 214 societies, having 5815 members.

By this time it had become clearly evident that a fully employed dental assistant could no longer give sufficient time to conduct the business of this office, and in 1947 the ADAA dues were raised in order to finance the purchase of equipment needed to furnish a central office, and to pay rent for office space and the salary of office help. It was during Sadie Hadley's year as President, and a central office committee was formed to work with the Board of Trustees on the details of establishing this office.

Mrs. Mary L. Martin, who came to us with a background of experience in stenographic and secretarial work, was engaged as Executive Secretary. She assumed her duties on February 15, 1948, and opened the central office at 610 Jefferson Ave., La Porte, Indiana, immediately afterward. And Aileen Ferguson, after giving Mrs. Martin a week of her time to acquaint her with the details of her duties as Executive Secretary, took her place among the never-to-be forgotten pioneers of the ADAA; the Julietta Southard's, the Helen Fitting's, the Ruth Rogers's, the Lucille Hodges's, in fact, all the Past Presidents and Secretaries of the ADAA whose determined force and willingness to serve kept the wheel moving in those earlier days. An office where the work of the ADAA could be centralized had been established, a dream of long standing was realized, and another milestone toward progress had been passed.

This article, accompanied by pictures of our present employees of central office, is being published in The Dental Assistant with the hope that our members will have a clearer picture of why, when and how it came into being, how it functions today, and how you can work through it to accomplish more effectively your objectives in your local and state organizations.

As the ADAA has grown, more and more of the work, formerly done by officers and committee chairmen, has been delegated to the employees in this office.

In 1948, a Subscription Manager, who would take care of the journal mailing list, was employed on a part-time basis. In November, 1950, the office was moved to larger and more convenient quarters, 419 First National Bank Bldg., La Porte, which is the present address, and again more equipment was added.

The volume of work continued to grow, and in keeping with progress, the association's leaders felt it wise to seek expert advice on streamlining the work. The result of surveys submitted was the decision to transfer all funds of the association, and the bookkeeping of same to this office. As in the case of the General Secretary, it had become evident that the elected Treasurer, a full-time employed member, could no longer carry the heavy load of keeping records of the finances of the association, and an assistant secretary was added to the staff. With all funds on deposit in banks in La Porte, and all bookkeeping of records, all financial transactions being handled here, it was decided to obtain the services of an accounting firm. A firm in La Porte was employed to provide this service. The books are audited, accounts examined, budgets outlined, with compari-

son and forecast of expenditures, monthly, quarterly, semi-annually and annually.

A Budget and Finance Committee, consisting of five members, The President, General Secretary, Treasurer and two members who had served on the board, was appointed, and such a committee has been appointed annually, henceforth. It is the duty of this committee to supervise and act in an advisory capacity to the Treasurer, employees of central office, and any others handling the financial affairs of the association. To recommend proper allocation of the dues to the general and journal funds, and to give annual reports to the House of Delegates and the Board, and present to the House of Delegates a budget for the ensuing year. A central office gives solidarity to the association. It is a permanent point of contact, it provides a clearing house for all ADAA business, a place where all correspondence is received and is given prompt attention.

And today this correspondence is heavy. It comes from our members, our component society officers, from anyone who wishes to make an inquiry about the organization, its work and procedure. We want to point out, however, that matters of routine only are handled here, anything that involves matters of policy should be referred to the Board of Trustees, the elected officers, who hand down decisions. The House of Delegates, approves a By-Laws which outlines policy and administrative procedure. It also elects Officers annually who direct the work of the employees in central office. For example, the elected General Secretary supervises the secretarial work of the organization and delegates as many of her duties as she deems advisable to the central office. As does the Treasurer, who signs all checks that are paid out. No individual, or group, may operate beyond the scope of authority granted within the regulations set forth in the By-Laws. Efficient administration of the outlined duties is vital to the successful operation of the ADAA, just as is true in modern business. Records should indicate if this job is being done. The officers are responsible to the membership to see that it is properly done, and within the scope of authority so delegated. We point this out to you in order that you will realize that our Executive Secretary does not have all the answers, and ask that you keep this in mind when you write a letter which involves policy. She must in many instances wait for a decision from a board, which is made up of members scattered throughout the states.

It is difficult to fully outline and explain the work that goes on in central office. We have told you all records of finances are kept here, which involves keeping records of current expenses, allotting correct amounts to various funds, of which there are five, paying all current bills of the central office and the journal, officers and trustees, allotments and committee expenses. A monthly statement containing budget comparison indicates just what is spent each month.

All membership dues reach central office from the state secretaries, (or treasurer) and are acknowledged on a special form. Membership cards for members whose dues are transmitted, are returned to the Secretary with the official receipt. Three copies of list of names and other data are sent with the dues. One copy is filed and becomes a part of the ADAA permanent records. One copy is turned over to the subscription manager, who checks it with her address plates, adding new names and making corrections (and marking them for date of expiration). The third copy is used by the Assistant Secretary in making index cards for members. The task of keeping accurate membership records, and journal mailing list, is complicated by having two addresses for each member as well as the name of the dentist-employer. There are frequent changes in this data. The most baffling of all are the changes of name. Many of these changes are reported, but many are not. This means that there are many journals returned that cannot be deliv-

ered. Renewed members cannot always be identified, and there may be a break in their record on the index cards. IN REPORTING THESE CHANGES, BOTH NEW AND OLD NAMES, ADDRESSES AND EMPLOYER SHOULD BE GIVEN.

Membership records of all applicants for Life Membership must be checked through the permanent file in central office. Be sure when you send in an application for life membership that you have gathered all information about this member's record, when she became a member, her continuous record, etc., in order to save an error being made in denying someone who is eligible this membership.

Upon request, ADAA Information Booklets, pamphlets, and journals are mailed to state associations for use at state meetings, and to local societies for use in their extension work. ADAA Extension Study Course outlines and a bulletin "Instructions for Education Chairman" prepared by the Education Committee explaining how to organize a study course, are mailed to societies. These are prepared for your assistance, do not hesitate to ask for any number you need in your work.

All brochures which have been prepared by the various committees of the ADAA and contain valuable information, are mimeographed in central office and mailed to the officers of state and local societies. A quantity of mimeographed work is done in central office, and is gradually increasing. This is due to the increased number of societies, and because a larger number of messages are sent out. A new, electrically-operated mimeograph is now making this job easier. A general distribution of bulletins and letters is now being made to the State Secretaries (who are key people) as well as to the Presidents of both state and local societies. This is one of the reasons why an up-to-date list of officers for each and every affiliated group should be sent immediately following elections to the central office. The ADAA Extension Study Course has been our biggest educational accomplishment, and represents many hours of work on the part of Education Committees of the past and present. The outlines of this course are printed and delivered to the central office where they are assembled in booklets, stored and mailed out upon order. A charge of $1.00 is made for them, which about covers cost, plus transportation.

FOR INFORMATION ON THE CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION OR RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING IT, DIRECT YOUR INQUIRY TO THE ADAA CERTIFICATION BOARD.

A glimpse into any local or state officer's file, at the end of her tenure of office, will reveal a great deal of correspondence during the year from the officers that has been cleared through the central office. This clearing house for the ADAA, which today has 45 state associations, 250 local societies and 7200 members.

We hope through this article we have better acquainted you with this office and its function. That you will have a greater appreciation for the work done by our members in by-gone days to establish it, that you will be better acquainted with our employees, their duties, and the limitations of their scope of authority. That you will have a greater realization of the fact that this office is operated for the specific purpose of making your work easier, and to assist you in every way possible in the efficient performance of your duties as local and state officers. That this office belongs to every member of the ADAA. It is yours to use, but please not to abuse. By that we mean failing to cooperate by eliminating errors, sending in material incorrectly, procrastinating, by failing to read your correspondence from central office, and to use it correctly, failing to read the journal which carries announcements of changes, new rules and all pertinent information

relative to the ADAA. Your full cooperation can conserve time, energy and money that can be put to valuable use in increasing the power and driving force of our ADAA Wheel of Progress, hastening its journey toward the star to which it is hitched.

Ed. Note. We are indebted to Helen Fitting, Contributing Editor, for collecting information from Secretaries prior to the establishing of central office, to Margaret Sharp whose remarks inspired us to select a title, and to Mary L. Martin for information concerning the operation of central office, all of which enabled us to put together this article for publication.

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NO. CALIF.—San Joaquin DAA—Pres. Donna Mehrer, 232 E. Lodi Ave., Lodi; Sec. Deloras Reddig, 303 E. Oak St., Lodi.

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A.D.A.A. NEWS ITEMS

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Secretaries—Please

Memberships have come in goodly numbers during the first three months of 1954, and the total is several hundred above April 1st of 1953. However, many renewals and prospective memberships are still outstanding; and societies are urged to see that all of their membership dues are collected and transmitted to the STATE SECRETARIES, who will forward the ADAA part of the dues to Central Office. We most earnestly request all secretaries and treasurers to be prompt in forwarding dues so that the member may be credited by the State Association and the ADAA. DO NOT PROCRASTINATE. Delays may cause inconvenience and disappointment to a member.

Your Cooperation Is Needed

Questionnaires to obtain information for the Official Program for the Annual Meeting next November, have been sent to State Officers. We hope that local society officers will cooperate in collecting this data. It is important that names of Delegates and Alternates be reported because they are printed in the Program as the "Members of the House of Delegates" (the official voting body of the ADAA). Each state is entitled to, and should have, proper representation and credit.

Clinics

The Clinic Committee Chairman should be advised of the names of Clinicians and their subjects before the deadline date given on the questionaires the Officers of your society received. (Read "We Need Your Assist" in this issue.) The Chairman of the Clinics Committee should also be informed if your State is to be represented by a poster.

Who Are Your New Officers?

A blank requesting names and addresses of state and local presidents and secretaries was sent for the purpose of obtaining current information, so that the new Directory of Officers, which will be published within the next few weeks, will be complete and up-to-date. Many of the changes of officers have been reported to us, but not all of them. Please give this your immediate attention.

Social Security

The Social Security Administration is desirous that dental assistants understand that they are covered by this form of insurance, and offers information pamphlets, and the services of their staff members to give talks at your meetings. Contact your local field office of the Social Security Administration.

Your Journal

The ADAA Certification Board, ADAA Board of Trustees and the Editor of The Dental Assistant reached a decision that we must, of necessity, discontinue the printing of pictures of Certification Classes in the Journal. This issue carries the balance of pictures on hand for which checks have been accepted, and clears away a backlog of pictures received in the past six months. Far too many pictures were being received to run currently. This was due to the limited space in a journal the size of The Dental Assistant. We ask your cooperation in sending only pictures of interest from your state meetings, and those pertaining to outstanding accomplishment in your association activities.

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EDITORIAL

Lest We Forget

Lest we forget those who now lie in Flanders Field, those who fell on Okinawa, those who died on the Korean battle fields, and the thousands who in centuries past gave their lives on battle fields, let us pause and give thanks for their sacrifice. Thousands upon thousands made that supreme sacrifice that you and I might enjoy the liberties we have in this wonderful democracy of ours. Though we do not want to live in the past we must be mindful that all we now have is a direct result of the efforts and sacrifices of generations past. For all of this we must be eternally grateful but we must live for the future. What are we doing to build a better future for the generations to come?

Our generation has witnessed more phenomenal things than any generation before it. We have seen prosperity raise the living standard of millions of families; medical science has developed many miraculous life-saving drugs; aviation has progressed to the point where the world no longer seems to be such an enormous universe, especially when we consider that it takes but a few hours flying time to span the oceans from continent to continent, and man has many times broken the sound barrier; the atom bomb, and the hydrogen bomb, most deadly of all weapons have been developed; and we have seen the horrible results of their use. But best of all these are now being harnessed into channels whereby they may be used for the good of civilization. These are but a few of the things we have witnessed.

But to consider our little corner and what we are doing for the good of civilization and future generations, let us turn our thoughts to our own profession. Much has been accomplished in dentistry in the past few years and our national organization for dental assistants has grown in number as well as in strength. We are working toward higher education in our own special field and encouraging younger girls to enter into dental assisting. The days of pioneering in dental assisting are past and we must work hard to keep abreast of the strides that the profession of dentistry is making. We must not relax even a little in educating dental assistants now in active work to be more efficient as well as providing educational facilities for those desiring to enter this phase of dentistry.

But as we work enthusiastically for the future let us carry in our hearts a prayer of thanksgiving for the sacrifices made by those in whose memory we celebrate Memorial Day.

AUDREY STOECKER, *Contributing Editor*

In Memoriam

WHEREAS, God, in His infinite wisdom, summoned unto Himself DOROTHY FLOYD on February 9, 1954, and

WHEREAS, Dorothy Floyd was a Charter Member of Miami District and Florida State Dental Assistants Associations, having served as local President during 1944-45, and

WHEREAS, she was a Life Member of her local society and an Honorary Member of her State Association, and

WHEREAS, Dottie's love for the Association will always be a guiding force and an influence that can never be denied; whose ideals and aspirations, whose sense of fairness, tolerance, patience and honesty, has left an ineffaceable impression on those who served with her.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, humbly bowing our heads to the Holy Will of Almighty God, we deeply regret the death of our friend and member, and we extend her sorrowing family our deepest sympathy.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be published in The Dental Assistant Journal and that a copy, duly signed, be sent to Dorothy's family.

NITA BROWNING, *General Secretary*
American Dental Assistants Association

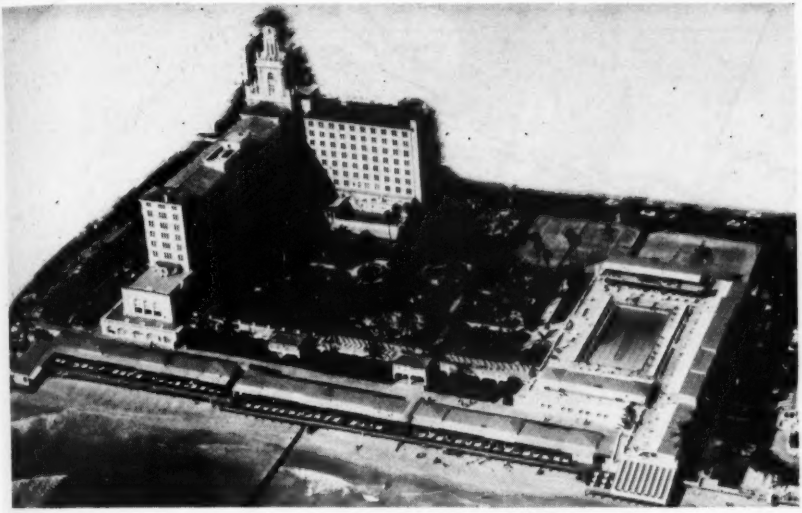
To Miami's Shore in '54
Official Call to the 30th Annual Convention

Notice is hereby given to all members that the Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the American Dental Assistants Association will be held in Miami, Florida, November 8th through 11th, 1954. Official headquarters, the Roney Plaza Hotel. The Board of Trustees will meet Saturday, November 6th at one P.M. The first House of Delegates meeting will be held Monday, November 8th at nine A.M. at which time all Officers, Trustees and Committee Chairmen will present written annual reports. All affiliated societies will file the names of their delegates and alternates as requested by the Executive Secretary.
Each member must present her 1954 Membership card to register at the meeting.

LILLIAN HOFFMAN, *President*
NITA BROWNING, *Secretary*

The first House of Delegates Meeting is called for 9 A.M. Monday. Therefore, if at all possible, delegates should register Sunday. Registration will be open Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. Be prepared to give round trip mileage to be counted in the Convention Attendance Record. The Official Roll will be called before election of officers on Wednesday. At all other sessions it will be the responsibility of the Chairman of Delegates of each State Association to see that the correct number of delegates or alternates are in attendance. Please have the proper credentials to present to the Registration Committee. Your cooperation is appreciated.

NITA BROWNING, *Chairman*
ADAA Registration Committee



THIS IS THE BIG ONE— *Don't miss it!*

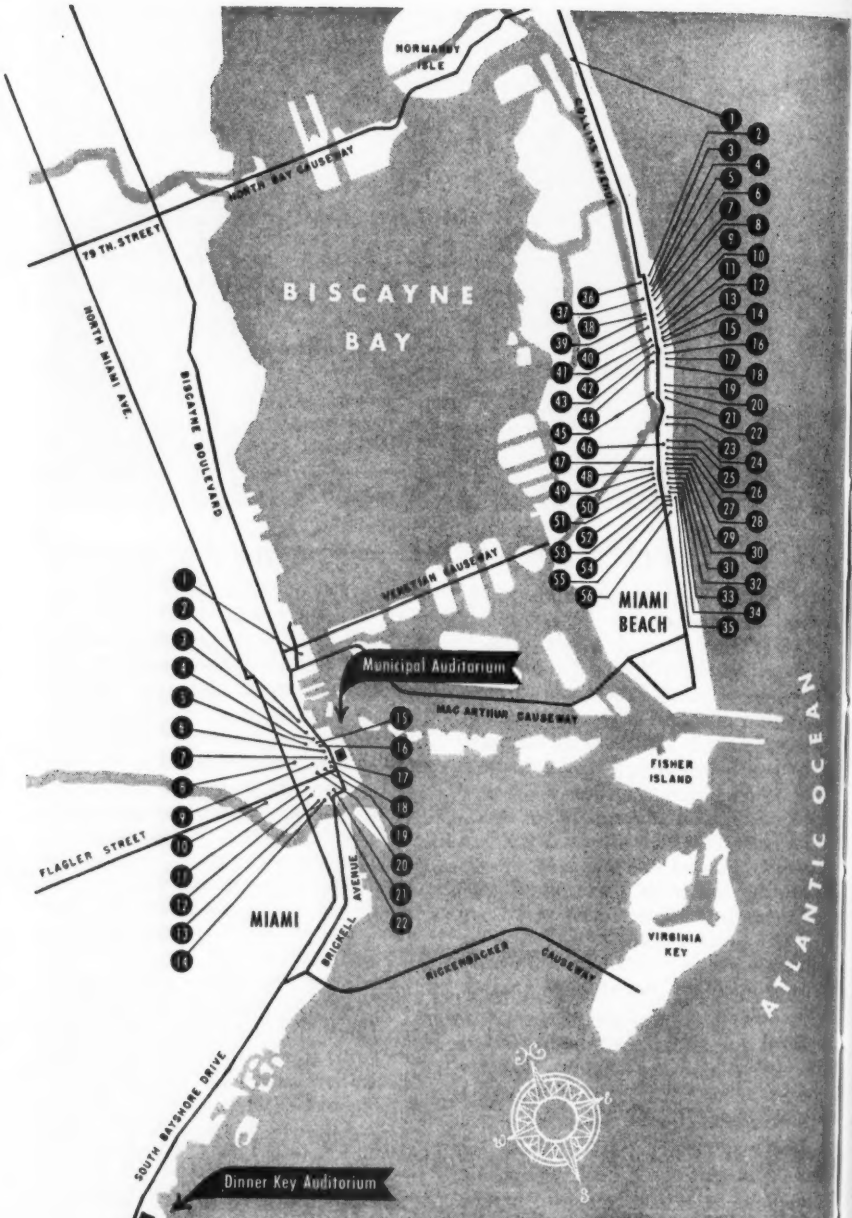
The Roney Plaza Hotel, which reigns supreme in the Miami Beach resorts world, has been selected as headquarters for the ADAA's 30th annual convention November 8-11. A hotel which offers much that will add to your stay there, and which can help to make this the happiest most enjoyable meeting ever for you.

While its gleaming tower has for a long time dominated the Miami Beach skyline, today the new Roney Plaza is a thoroughly modern hotel, completely air-conditioned, and with TV in every spacious room. It is located in the very heart of Miami Beach's "Gold Coast" area, on six beautiful acres dotted with palm trees, sparkling fountains and tropical gardens.

You will appreciate the spaciousness of the hotel and its grounds perhaps even more, when, after sessions, the time for diversion arrives. In this beautiful setting the noise and motion of the outside world is imperceptible. The soothing far off boom of the surf and the soft whispering of the winds high in the palms is broken only by occasional echoes of laughter from the pool deck. You can take full advantage of its famous Cabana Sun Club, with its own private beach three city blocks in length—an elevated swimming pool that meets Olympic standards, and a spacious solarium. By night this vast resort assumes an air of festive charm—a gala banquet in the Imperial Room, a stroll in the Formal Gardens as an equatorial moon draws mauve patterns of shadow on the rolling lawns—a superlative Planters Punch in th Bamboo Room, dancing under the stars in the Coconut Grove Patio as the flower scented night winds sway the palms above you. The "stuff" that dreams are made of, you'll find here in abundance.

Because of the nature and extent of the Roney's facilities and its highly deserved reputation for service, and because the Florida members have big plans afoot for Convention doings, we believe this is going to be "The Big One" you will not want to miss. So mark off these dates on your calendar now—November 8-11, 1954—Won'tcha?

BETTY MACY, *Chairman,*
ADAA Convention
Publicity Committee.


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Hotels in MIAMI

Key no.	Hotel	Single	Double
2	Alcazar	$5.00	$ 6.00-$ 7.00
11	Alhambra		7.00
9	Belfort	5.00	6.00- 7.00
16	Berni		5.00- 7.00
5	Biscayne Terrace	8.00	10.00- 14.00
7	Columbus	6.00-7.00	8.00- 12.00
8	Cortez	4.00	5.00- 7.00
12	Dallas Park		10.00
10	El Comodoro	5.00-6.00	8.00- 12.00
15	Everglades	5.00-8.00	8.00- 12.00
17	Leamington		6.00- 7.00
3	Liberty		6.00
18	McAlister	5.00-7.00	8.00- 12.00
6	Miami Colonial	5.00-6.00	8.00- 10.00
19	Paramount		6.00- 8.00
21	Patricia	5.00	7.00
4	Plaza	5.00	7.00- 8.00
20	Ponce de Leon	8.00	10.00- 12.00
14	Robert Clay	5.00-6.00	5.00- 7.00
22	Towers	4.00	6.00
13	Tuttle		6.00
1	Venetian	5.00-6.00	6.00- 8.00

Hotels in MIAMI BEACH

Key no.	Hotel	Single	Double
7	Atlantic Towers	$7.00	$9.00
21	Atlantis	5.00	6.00
22	Belmar	8.00	10.00- 12.00
20	Billows		6.00
9	Cadillac		6.00- 8.00
43	Capri	6.00	8.00
11	Caribbean	6.00	8.00
50	Catalina		5.00- 6.00
40	Claridge	3.00	5.00
37	Continental	4.00	5.00
27	Cromwell	6.00	8.00
38	Croydon Arms	5.00	6.00
45	Del Prado	5.00	6.00- 8.00
53	Delano		10.00
56	di Lido		10.00- 14.00
47	Dorchester	4.00	5.00
41	El Morocco	5.00	8.00
44	Embassy	6.00	8.00
4	Empress		10.00- 14.00
51	Gale	4.00	5.00
5	Good	4.00- 6.00	7.00- 11.00
8	Lord Tarleton	10.00	12.00
49	Maxine		6.00
1	Monte Carlo	8.00-12.00	9.00- 13.00
54	National		6.00
30	Nautilus		15.00
12	Ocean Grande	4.00	5.00- 7.00
13	Patrician	5.00	6.00
10	President Madison	$7.00	$8.00
23	Promenade	8.00	10.00- 12.00
42	Rendale	4.00	5.00
32	Richmond	5.00	6.00
16	Robert Richter	6.00	8.00
25	Roney Plaza		10.00- 14.00
55	Sagamore		8.00
52	San Juan	5.00	6.00
6	San Marino	8.00	10.00
18	Sans Souci		10.00- 14.00
17	Saxony		12.00
34	Seacomber		10.00
26	Sea Gull		8.00- 10.00
31	Shelbourne	8.00	10.00- 12.00
48	Shelby	4.00	5.00
29	Shore Club		8.00- 12.00
14	Shoremede	8.00	10.00
2	Sorrento	8.00	10.00
33	South Seas	5.00	6.00
3	Sovereign		10.00
35	Surfcomber	8.00	10.00
36	Surrey		8.00
46	Town House		6.00
24	Traymore	5.00- 8.00	6.00- 10.00
19	Triton	4.00	6.00- 8.00
28	Vanderbilt	6.00	8.00
15	Versailles		8.00- 12.00
39	Wilshire		4.00

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Hotel reservation application

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INSTRUCTIONS: Reservations for hotel accommodations may be secured for either Miami or Miami Beach by completing this application and mailing it to : A.D.A. Housing Bureau, 320 N.E. Fifth Street, Miami, Florida.

Be sure to indicate your arrival time in Miami. Reservations will be held only until 6 p.m. of the day you indicate when you will arrive in Miami. Failure to notify the hotel of any last minute change in your arrival time may result in cancellation of the reservation.

Names of all persons who intend to occupy the accommodations must be listed on the application.

List four choices of hotels. Confirmation will be sent to the applicant indicating which hotel has accepted the reservation.

Write the A.D.A. Housing Bureau in Miami if you wish to cancel the reservation.

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Applicant:

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Arrival in Miami_____ a.m. p.m. Leaving_____

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Hotel_____ (First choice) Hotel_____ (Third choice)

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Occupants: (use an extra page for listing additional names if necessary)

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Views of the NEWS

By ALBERTA REED

"I once knew a man who would figure and plan
The deeds he intended to do;
But when the time came to get into the game
He never put anything through.
It is easy to dream, to plan and to scheme,
And let them drop out of sight;
But the men that put through what their dreams bring to view
Are the men who win the fight."

Edgar L. Jones.

When these words reach your eyes, many of you will be in the midst of summer picnics, in plans for your own vacations, in recess from regular meetings. Right? NOW HEAR THIS—(to borrow from the Navy)—remember committees have a year-round job, remember clinics and posters and papers must be prepared for the National Meeting, and remember YOU are a dental assistant fifty-two weeks a year, even on vacation. Keep your standards high!

FIRST DISTRICT

News from Rhode Island

Welcome to our smallest state from which we hear too rarely; we extend thanks to Jeanne Fiore for this news. January was the time and the Sheraton Biltmore Hotel in Providence was the place for the 13th Annual Meeting of the Rhode Island Dental Assistants Association. The Annual Business Meeting and election of officers, a splendid address presented by Dr. Allyn F. Sullivan, President of Rhode Island Dental Association, and a delightful tea opened this convention. Social affairs included the traditionally beautiful Dinner Dance in the Garden Room of the Sheraton Biltmore.

An information booth presenting the advantages of membership in ADAA was open and doing well with the non-member dental assistants in attendance. The ever popular Clinics and Posters were a presentation of great educational value and this meeting concluded with an inspiring talk delivered by Dr. George C. Paffenbarger on "The Certification and Specification of Dental Materials by the A. D. A." Dr. Paffenbarger is an important member of the Senior Research Department of the National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C. Honored guests at this meeting included Dr. Saunders W. Spooner of the Rhode Island Dental Association, Helen Searles, First District Trustee, and Evelyn Conlon of the New Hampshire Dental Assistants Association. This successful convention closed with an impressive candlelight ceremony marking the installation of the newly elected officers for 1954.

SECOND DISTRICT

News from New York

The First District Dental Assistants Society of New York, Inc., has had a busy winter starting with the successful and educational Symposium on Sterilization held in January. This was an effective method of conducting an audience-participation meeting with Sylvia Danenbaum as moderator and Lois Walker, Norma Milefsky and Sylvia Weill speaking ably on the subject matter. A question and answer period concluded this meeting. The February meeting of this group presented guest speaker Dr. David H. Goelho, Assistant Professor and Chairman of the Crown and Bridge Department, New York College of Dentistry, on "The Dental Assistant's Role in Prosthetic Procedure." At this meeting, Anna Marie Giehl, Librarian, presented library materials available to the membership. "All Clinic Night" was the feature of the March meeting and was well attended by this group and by members of the Brooklyn Study Club. Dorothy Oscar, Jane Lipsky, Vivian Kaufman, Helen Siptrott and Hazel Maxwell represented the First District and Bernadina Sussino repre-

sented the Brooklyn Study Club in the presentation of the clinics. This meeting closed with an auction held for the benefit of the Juliette A. Southard Fund and it was profitable as well as fun. Members of First District are looking forward to the Annual Meeting on May 21 at the Hotel Statler, New York.

Registration for the Fifth Extension Study Course is now open and classes will be limited to 14 students, so enroll early and insure your place in the class. Classes will begin in September. Thanks to Sylvia Weill for this splendid report.

Lee M. Taras sends fine report on the doings of the New York State Dental Assistants Association. January was the time for a Board meeting in Schenectady when plans were outlined and completed for the 26th Annual Meeting. President Eldora A. Moore, representatives of all component societies, Florence Smith, Second District Trustee, and Irene Graswick, Program and Clinics Chairman, are to be commended for the splendid work they have done. This 26th Annual Meeting will be held in May at the Hotel Statler, Buffalo, N. Y., with registration, table clinics and the annual business meeting scheduled for the first day. The second day will feature the President's Luncheon in the Orchard Room of the Hotel Lafayette, the General Session with honored guests and speakers Rev. Joseph P. Waclawski of Buffalo, Catherine Manilla, President, Buffalo Dental Assistants Society, Dr. Wm. Fennelly, President-elect, New York State Dental Society, Dr. Henry W. Spiller, President, Erie County Dental Society, Elinor Blanchard, President, Dental Hygienists Association of New York, Helen Overfield, President-elect, New York State Dental Assistants Association, Florence Smith, Second District Trustee, and Dr. Raymond Burchell, President, 8th District Dental Society, who will speak on "What the Doctor Expects from His Assistant." This annual meeting will close on the third day with an executive board meeting in the morning and a sight-seeing trip to Niagara Falls in the afternoon.

The Second District Dental Assistants Study Club of Brooklyn, N. Y., is proud of the success of the Exhibition on Children's Dental Health held in February and thanks all members who gave so willingly of their time and efforts in this cause. The girls completing the 104-hour Study Course will sit for their final examination May 21. The season's activities will be terminated on May 23 with a Buffet Luncheon at 111 Fort Greene Place, Brooklyn, N. Y., followed by an afternoon of social activities. Bernice Maddern, 3210 Avenue H. Brooklyn 10, N. Y., is in charge of reservations for this affair. Thank you, Florence A. Schneider, Publicity Chairman, for your fine report.

Phyllis Conklin, Publicity Chairman for the Elmira Dental Assistants Society, reports on the March meeting for this group when Mr. Ted LaBrecque was guest speaker and showed films of his recent trip to Hawaii. A representative from the Westinghouse Electric Corporation spoke at the April meeting.

Welcome to Bernice R. Clark, Corresponding Secretary for the Buffalo Dental Assistants Society, who writes of the April meeting of her group. They met at the Samuel P. Capen Hall, New Dental-Medical School, University of Buffalo, Buffalo, N. Y. Guest speaker Dr. Leon J. Gauchat, Dean of the University of Buffalo School of Dentistry, addressed the group and, after a short business meeting, conducted them on a tour of inspection of the school.

News from New Jersey

It is good to hear from New Jersey and we thank Virginia Reiser, Publicity Chairman for the New Jersey State Dental Assistants Association, for her report on the Board of Trustees meeting held in Newark, N. J., in January, when plans for the 22nd Annual Meeting were made. This meeting will be held at the Hotel Traymore, Atlantic City, N. J., in May and all members in this area are urged to attend. A fine educational program should insure the success of this meeting.

The Bergen County Dental Assistants Society held its February meeting at the Red Lion Restaurant in Hackensack and its members heard a talk and viewed films presented by representatives of the S. S. White Dental Manufacturing Co. The March meeting brought another film, a timely and important one presented by the American Cancer Society. Guest speaker Dr. Swanson addressed this group in April on the subject of "Hypnosis" and, in May, these girls will hear Dr. Robert Fear speak. June will bring the annual summer picnic.

The Southern County Dental Assistants Society has been busy with its March meeting when a representative of the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company spoke on "Courtesy Talk," with its April meeting when the annual meeting was held at Kenney's Dining Room, Camden, N. J., for the annual election and installation of officers. In May, the members will hear guest speaker Dr. Walter Wilson, Secretary of the State Board of Registration and Examination. June will bring a social affair in the form of a Dental Assistants Outing.

THIRD DISTRICT

News from Ohio

The February meeting for this group was "Clinic Night." Drs. Coy, Traster and Allison served as judges of the clinics. The winners were not disclosed until the March meet-

ing, a dinner meeting at the Mayflower Hotel, when the dental assistants entertained their doctors. Lillian Hoffman, President of ADAA, was selected as Akron's "Miss Dental Assistants of 1954," Marge Burgess won first place with her clinic on "Recalls," and Patty Smith was presented the Achievement Award. The April meeting of this group brings the annual visit of the members of Stark County Dental Assistants Society for a dinner meeting at the Mayflower Hotel. A small group of Akron dental assistants are being trained in "Hypnodontia."

The Northeastern Dental Assistants Society is now one year old and we say "Happy Birthday" to the young society. Some of the educational lectures presented to this group were "The Dental Care of the Spastic Child" and "Credit and Collection." The latter was presented by Mr. David Haskell of the Ashtabula Credit Bureau.

The Northwestern Dental Assistants Society recently installed its new officers at a dinner meeting at the Lima Club, Lima, Ohio. Anna Carey and Lahoma Knopp conducted the beautiful candlelight service. Members from Wapakoneta and Findley were present at this meeting.

The Dayton Dental Assistants Society was busy as could be in March with its regular meeting held at the YMCA when its members heard an address by a member of the Montgomery Chiropody Association and the report of Elma Troutman, Third District Trustee, on the Chicago Mid-Winter Meeting and her visit to the Central Office of the ADAA at LaPorte, Ind. This group also participated in the table clinics presented at the Annual Clinic Meeting of the Dayton Dental Society with the following girls presenting clinics: Barbara Katz and "Patient Relations," Carol Knight and "Practical Endodontia," Deloris Happle and Carol Jones with "Dental Assistant Education," Geneva Todd and "Handpiece Care," Sylvia Kennedy and "Preparation of Impression Materials," and Dorothy Zarley, Frances Stephens, Patricia Smith, Honey Hale and Betty Jan with "Assisting with General Anesthesia." Late in March the members attended a study class in the Green Room of the YWCA when Ida Maus, representative of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, presented her lecture. And the April meeting of this group found them at the YMCA for dinner, meeting and to hear guest speaker Dr. Stephen E. Szabo.

The Cleveland Dental Society hasn't been sitting on its hands, either. The January meeting presented guest speaker Dr. Weber, prominent Pediatrician of East Cleveland, and welcome guests included the student dental assistants of the Jane Adams School. In February, as in past years, about 25 unselfish and willing members of this group spent the day assisting the doctors in the work of Children's Dental Health Day as well as the Children's Party. At the April meeting, the girls were entranced with the talk on "Budget Vacations for Working Girls" presented so ably by a representative of the Cleveland Travel Bureau. In March they heard Dr. Butler of Cleveland present his clinic on "Hypnosis in a Dental Office." The Spring Clinic Meeting in May will be a three-day meeting at the Hollenden Hotel and the Cleveland members will be assisted by the student dental assistants of Jane Adams School. Jean Hankey Schuh is the author of this report. Also, Jean is to be congratulated on the "birth" of the Ohio State Dental Assistant Association's quarterly news report "The Buckeye Matrix" along with her co-editors, Blanche Overpeck and Dora Moseley. Good work, girls!

The Stark County Dental Assistants Society is well under way with its Fourth Extension Study Course under the supervision of Doris Glass. Ten girls are enrolled and, in March, heard Dr. R. F. Deetz speak on "Charting and Chair Assisting Procedure" and Dr. D. M. Beatty speak on "Ethics." In April, they heard Mrs. Edna Tarbox of the Ohio Bell Telephone Company present her talk "Telephone Courtesy," Dr. William Rogers speak on "Pathology" and, in two sessions, Dr. C. L. Pressler present his lecture on "Anatomy." Also, in April, the members of Stark County journeyed to Akron to the Mayflower Hotel as guests of the Akron Society.

The Erie County Dental Assistants Society reports a recent program which presented a film, "Telephone Courtesy," by Mr. Andy Frazinni and Mr. Chet Adams, representatives of the General Telephone Company. The February meeting of this group was held at East Erie Turners with Dr. A. J. Barton as guest speaker. He presented his talk on "Preventative Dentistry." Plans for March include a 2-day rummage sale under the supervision of the Ways and Means Committee. April will bring a dinner meeting at Little Bit of Sweden and the program planned will honor our founder, Juliette A. Southard. Marilyn Malm and Dorothea Bourne are in charge of this program.

The Ohio State Dental Assistants Association's Mid-Year Meeting will be a 2-day meeting the middle of May and the Fremont Dental Assistants Society will be hostesses.

News from Pennsylvania

The Harrisburg Dental Assistants Society is only two years old and has the added handicap of a membership scattered about in Hershey, Chambersburg, Lebanon, Elizabethtown, Lemoyne, Lancaster and, of course, Harrisburg, but its members are enthusiastic, hard working and pursuing the plan of holding

its meetings in each of the different towns. Recent programs include a tour through the dormitories and clinics of Dr. Cooper's Cleft Palate Clinic in Lancaster, Pa., and lectures by members of the staff on this interesting and challenging subject, a talk and demonstration on "Flower Arrangements," a lecture on "The Care of Equipment," and a talk by Mr. George W. Fine of the Williams Gold Company on "Patient Relations." In February, these girls began their first Certification Study Course and their instructor for this first meeting was Dr. Kenneth Heisey, Advisor to the group, who brought them "Office Management." The April meeting was held at the Hershey Country Club and was the scene of the lovely candlelight service for the installation of new officers.

The Philadelphia Association of Dental Assistants has presented interesting programs recently including Dr. P. Philip Gross speaking on "General Anesthesia," Dr. Joseph Ewing presenting "Inlay Technique," and Linwood G. Grace, Director of the Bureau of Dental Health of Pa., speaking on "Oral Cancer" with a film illustrating the lecture. The April meeting brought Mr. Matthew Cooper of the Climax Dental Company who spoke on "Repairs for the Dental Assistant" and he presented a practical demonstration. This group is clinic-minded, also, and has benefited from clinics presented by Stella Sitoski and Anne Snyder with "Preparation of Reversible Hydrocolloid Materials," Rose Donohue, Olive Hart and Stella Sitoski on "Miss Do and Miss Don't" and Mary Alice Calhoun and Ruth Hanna with "Study Models." These girls presented their Christmas Contribution this year to the Cleft Palate Clinic of the University of Pa.

The Lehigh Valley Dental Assistants Society's January meeting presented a film and talk on "Cerebral Palsy" given by a volunteer worker in this field and the February meeting, held in Bethlehem, was highlighted by a program presented by the telephone company entitled "Your Voice Is You."

The Berks County Dental Assistants Society witnessed the installation of its new officers at a dinner meeting in the Thomas Jefferson Tea Room. Honored guests at this meeting included Helen Fitting, Honorary Life Member of ADAA, Retta Amatucci, Past President of the Pa. State Association, and Rose Donohue, Pa. State Treasurer. Dr. Aaron Babbit, President of the Reading Dental Society, appointed Advisors for this group, namely Dr. Samuel Lindermuth and Dr. Carl Scholl. Delegate Miriam Summons and Alternate Mildred Frederick also were appointed.

The York County Dental Assistants Society also held a beautiful installation service for its new officers at dinner meeting in the Spinning Wheel Dining Room. Rhetta Amatucci, Past State President, served as Installing Officer with Rose Donohue as Conducting Officer and Olive Hart presiding at the Table of Friendship. Toastmaster for the evening was the capable Dr. Robert Spangler, Retiring Advisor. This society began its Certification Study Course in March and urges all its members to take advantage of this opportunity for education.

The Pittsburgh Dental Assistants Society held a dinner meeting in February when it presented guest speaker Miss Hazel L. Whitesell, Chairman of the Committee for Crippled Children and Adults. She spoke about the duties and achievements of this committee since it started in 1934 and pointed out the value of even the smallest gift to the Easter Seal Fund.

News from the District of Columbia

The Washington, D. C., Dental Assistants Society has a hard-working Program and Education Chairman, Sue Allison who, so far, has presented a program entitled "Periodontia" with Dr. Francis Fabrizio as guest speaker. Dr. Fabrizio is President of the D. C. Dental Society. Another interesting and stimulating program brought Dr. Beezer, Psychologist, with his "The Spider's Web." Dr. Beezer recently returned from Freedom Village, Korea, and he gave a graphic account of the condition of the Korean people, the effect communism is having on these people as well as our own boys stationed there. The March meeting will find these girls presenting an "All Clinic Night" and serving as hostesses to dental assistants from five states.

FOURTH DISTRICT

News from Louisiana

The members of the Alexandria Dental Assistants Society are proud and happy about their role in the organization of the first dental assistants society in the state of Mississippi. In January Viola Stone, Chairman of the Fourth District Membership Committee, visited several communities in Mississippi where she helped start societies at Gulfport and Laurel. Late in January, Malvina Cueria, Fourth District Trustee, and Jeanne Charlet, both of New Orleans, completed the organization of the society at Gulfport and, two days later, Malvina Cueria and Viola Stone completed the organization of the society at Laurel. They were accompanied by Jeanne Charet, New Orleans, and Dr. C. G. Ducote and Bertie LaBowe, President of Alexandria Dental Assistants Society, Wylma Jensen and Irene Colbert of Alexandria, La. In addition to these, the nine charter members of the new society witnessed the impressive ceremony for the installation of officers. Congratulations to these two new Mississippi so-

cieties and orchids to the Louisiana dental assistants and doctors for their efforts! The Alexandria girls started their 2nd Certification Study Club in February and are enthusiastic about the future. Irene Colbert wrote in this news.

News from Florida

"Miami Mutterings" now comes from Yvonne Walker and we say a hearty "Welcome" to Yvonne. The February meeting presented a fashion show in uniforms, with dental assistants as models, following dinner and the business meeting at the Robert Clay Hotel. Also the films taken of the installation ceremony at Christmas time were shown and enjoyed. A proud welcome was extended to the 26 new members and 2 new associate members at this meeting. The March meeting again was held at the Robert Clay Hotel and was highlighted by the lecture presented by Dr. Blair Madsen, noted Periodontist of Miami. Three Miami doctors are donating their time to serve on the Certification Board, namely Drs. C. C. Ray, Edward Arnold and Wendell Whetstone. The Certification Study Course is buzzing right along. April will bring, at the regular meeting, a preview of the posters, papers and clinics to be presented at the State Meeting later in the month. The 15th Annual Meeting of the Florida State Dental Assistants Association will be held at the end of April at the Princess Issena Hotel, Daytona Beach, Fla. Examination for Certification will be held the first day of this meeting. Thanks go also to Alma Smith and "The Explorer" for part of this news.

The Jacksonville Dental Assistants Society recently witnessed the always beautiful candlelight service for the installation of new officers. It took place in the Ballroom of the Seminole Hotel with Louise Coors serving as Installing Officer and Audrey Pittman as Conducting Officer. Annette Jessicick, for her splendid programs, won the Achievement Award and Betty Rion was commended for her efforts that resulted in enough food, clothing and toys for the Christmas baskets for 11 needy families. Many doctors, their wives, dental hygienists and representatives of dental supply houses were guests at this meeting. The next meeting of this group presented guest speaker Hugh McIllwain with his lecture on "How to Win Friends and Influence People" based on the Dale Carnegie Course. This society has nine girls who will take the Certification Examination at the State Meeting in Daytona Beach.

FIFTH DISTRICT

News from Kentucky

The Kentucky Dental Assistants Association has planned its State Meeting and, along with the regular business meetings, will present a special session consisting of four parts with a 5-minute recess between each lecture. These lectures will be presented by persons qualified in each field, namely "Basic Parliamentary Law," "Telephone Courtesy," "Ethics for Dental Assistants" and "Problems of Dental Assistant Organizations." Clinics and posters will have an important part in this meeting.

The West Central Dental Assistants Society has appointed its delegates and alternates to the State Meeting and will enter several clinics in competition.

The Louisville Dental Assistants Society held its election of new officers in March and is looking forward to the installation ceremony planned for May.

News from Virginia

Mary Williams of the Piedmont Dental Assistants Society reports on some of its recent programs including a paper on "How Does Your Smile Measure Up?", a clinic on "Care of Equipment," guest speaker Ione Roberts, Fifth District Trustee, and her lecture on "Better Means of Holding Interest in Local Societies," and a clinic on "Personal Hygiene."

The Tidewater Dental Assistants Society held its Annual Banquet and installation of officers at the Candlelight Supper Club, Norfolk, Va. At this meeting, Pruda Barrett was awarded the Achievement Cup for her outstanding contributions to dental assisting. The February meeting of this group was held in Warwick, Va., and presented guest speaker Dr. A. J. Russell with his lecture on "Cancer of the Mouth." This society includes dental assistants from Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News and it is proud of its three members holding State offices, namely Emily Price as President, Moselle Comer as Vice President and Janet Shepardson as Secretary-Treasurer. Thank you for the news, Mary!

News from West Virginia

The Huntington Dental Assistants Society began the new year by presenting Dr. J. E. Theis, Chief of the Veteran's Administration, who spoke on "Cancer of the Oral Cavities." Honored guest at this meeting was Olive Steinbeck, President of the West Virginia State Association. The February meeting brought a lecture from Dr. James Newman on "Dental Health" and reports were heard indicating the increased interest of civic groups and schools in dental health in Huntington. In February the Second Certification Course began with ten girls enrolled.

The Blennerhassett Dental Assistants Society held its February meeting at the American Legion Home, Parkersburg, and following dinner heard Dr. Marion Brown, M.D., speak on "Cancer." At this meeting five prospective members were introduced.

The Kanawha Valley Dental Assistants So-



ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, DENTAL ASSISTANTS FIRST CERTIFICATION CEREMONY—Front row, left to right: Billie Jean Staley, Phoebe W. Fannin and Jean O'Neill. Standing, left to right: Carrie Cunningham, Eula Kise, Josephine Long, Ann Ketterer and Dr. H. G. Collins, Chairman of the Education Committee of the Eastern Kentucky Dental Society.

ciety reports its activities, including the interesting lecture by Dr. C. R. Adams on "Difficult Cases in Oral Surgery" which he illustrated with slides. Following his lecture, he took the girls on a 1-hour tour of Europe where he visited last summer. Blanche Carte reported on the outcome of her project "An Autograph Blouse" and presented the society a check for $100.00. Another meeting of interest presented President Olive Steinbeck with "Cooperation for a Better Association." The following month Dr. James Burdette presented his films made while he was in Korea, and his commentary pointed out the conditions and progress in the hospitals of dental surgery and plastic surgery of the face. Olive Steinbeck reported on "Operation Pecans" which was in progress during the holiday season and announced a net profit of $78.84. Olive has set a goal for herself this year—she is visiting every component society in the state with the purpose of increased interest, good programs and growing membership as the ultimate result of these visits. Thanks go to Helen Conkling, Reporter for the Fifth District, for garnering this news.

News from Tennessee

The Second District Dental Assistants Society heard Dr. C. J. Spees of Oak Ridge, Tenn., speak on "The New or Additional Dental Assistant." Plans were completed, at this meeting, for the State Meeting to be held in Chattanooga in May.

The February meeting of the Nashville Dental Assistants Society brought guest speaker Mr. Jenkins of the Bureau of Internal Revenue speaking on "The Proper Way to File An Income Tax Return."

The Chattanooga Dental Assistants Society devoted its January meeting entirely to the appointment of chairmen and committees to plan and work for the forthcoming Tennessee State Meeting to be held in May.

The First District Dental Assistants Society

girls heard guest speaker Dr. Oscar P. Smith and then completed their plans for clinics, papers and delegates to the State Meeting at their last meeting. Helen Weese is the able Reporter for this area.

SIXTH DISTRICT

News from Illinois

The Illinois State Dental Assistant Association held one of its most successful Annual Meetings early in February at the Conrad Hilton Hotel, Chicago, with its largest House of Delegates in attendance, including representatives from five new and one re-organized societies. The members of the State Association are proud of their total membership—the largest they have had—namely, 300. Jeanne Ostermeier of Chicago, First Vice President and Program Chairman, presented each delegate with a novelty, which she made herself. The Chicago Dental Assistants Society entertained all the delegates at breakfast on Sunday morning where new girls were introduced and old friendships re-established. The following informative talk by Dr. S. R. Kleiman, President-elect of the Chicago Dental Society, on "Ethics and Grievances from the Files of the Chicago Dental Society" was heard. A roundtable discussion on "Know Your Association" followed with Marjorie Fowler and Janet Lindenberg of Peoria and Grace Dymer and Jeanne Ostermeier of Chicago as moderators. This discussion period filled a great need for both old and new component societies. Another splendid lecture was presented by Dr. H. C. Gustavson, Counsellor for the Northside Branch of the Chicago Dental Assistants Society, on "Dentistry—I Like It —Do You?" The address of welcome was given by Harriett Turner, President of the Chicago Dental Assistants Society, with the response by Marie Johnson of Rockford, Ill. Marjorie Fowler, State President, introduced the honored guests including ADAA President Lillian Hoffman, Journal Editor Violet Crowley and other State and National officers. At the Open House on Sunday, the ever-beautiful candlelight service for the installation of officers was presented with Lillian Hoffman as Installing Officer and Marie Johnson as Conducting Officer assisted by Eugenia Uttech, Sixth District Trustee, and Gladys Triphahn, former Trustee. Dr. Bruce Morrow of Macomb, Ill., is the new Counsellor for the Illinois State Association.

The Chicago Dental Assistants Society held its Mid-Winter Meeting at the Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago immediately following the State Meeting with President Harriett Turner presiding. Lorraine Scapillato, Program Chairman, presented Dr. R. C. Worley of Chicago with his lecture on "Local Anesthesia." Following this, Mr. Glenn Werley of Chicago presented a film on "The Alleviation of Pain in Dentistry." The afternoon session brought an address from ADAA President Lillian Hoffman on her theme "Assist." Short talks were given by Eugenia Uttech, Sixth District Trustee, and Marjorie Fowler, State President. Additional lectures were presented by Dr. J. K. Seybold of Madison, Wis., on "How the Dental Assistant Can Help Herself and Her Employer" and Dr. R. A. Atterbury of Oak Park, Ill., on "Cases Seen in the Oral Surgery Office" in a fresh, enthusiastic and inspiring manner. The following day brought table clinics under the supervision of Aldine Bevers, Clinic Chairman. Clinicians were Margaret Haisler with "Inlay Investing," Lillian Sowa on "Cotton Rolls," Mary Lou Borre portraying "The Model Assistant," Marie Ellis with "Prophylaxis," and Jean DeWan and Selma Biehler presenting "Sterilization." Later, Dr. Irving L. Sector of Chicago presented his lecture on "Hypnodontia." Wednesday morning was the time for the presentation of papers by Anoel Tyler on "The Dental Assistant as a Good Will Ambassador," Lolita Benson on "Courtesy in the Office," Anne Gattone presented a paper written by Marie Johnson of Portage, Wis., entitled "Personality," and Kay Wilson read a paper written by Virginia Bates of Indianapolis entitled "The Dental Assistant of 1957." Following the annual luncheon of the Chicago Dental Assistants Society, highlighted by a clever fashion show featuring the merchandising and dress design students of the Ray-Vogue Schools, an open meeting presented guest speaker Dr. E. J. Sullivan, the Editor of the "Fortnightly," official magazine of the Chicago Dental Society, who chose "Dental Public Relations" as his topic.

The Northwest District Dental Assistants Society is fortunate in its choice of president for it has Sheila Gilmore, Hygienist, graduate of Northwestern University Dental School, and former member of the staff of the radiology department under Dr. Fosket. At its April meeting, guest speaker Mr. Robert Fine, Clinician with Kerr Mfg. Co., presented a clinic on "Casting Technique." The May meeting of this group will be devoted entirely to the plans for a Certification Study Course.

The Decatur Dental Assistants Society's Program Chairman, Ruth Backensto, will present Dr. F. Jack Brown, leading internalist at the Dr. Rose, Brown & Jack Clinic in Decatur, as guest speaker at the April meeting. His topic will be "Do You Know Yourself?" and will cover the subject of human anatomy, the structure and functions of the body, and the close relationship of body functions to oral cavity health.

The Rockford Dental Assistants Society has instituted a program of dental health educa-

tion in Rockford that every component society of ADAA could adopt and carry through. The Rockford girls, realizing the tremendous need for dental health education in their own community among primary school children, organized a Health Education Project under the supervision of Co-Chairmen Pat Anderson, Claudie Stickels and Marian Barrott and with the approval of the Winnebago County Dental Society and the Rockford Board of Education. Every Wednesday afternoon one of the elementary schools is visited by the Rockford dental assistants. The children are shown the film "It's Your Health" first, then the assistants divide their efforts and one assistant visits one room, presenting a 10-minute talk stressing what foods to eat, what to substitute for candy and gum and soft drinks, and pointing out the importance of brushing teeth immediately after each meal. There is a question and answer period and also a poster contest in which the children enter their posters pertaining to dental health. The response so far shows that the Rockford girls are doing a splendid job in teaching these children health habits. By the end of May every elementary school in Rockford will have been visited and, even now, the girls are receiving high praise from the Rockford Dental Society, the Board of Education and the teachers for their efforts and achievements. The teachers point out that an assistant, in uniform, makes an impression on the children that all the teachers and words in the world cannot make. Girls of Rockford, you deserve our respect and admiration, for you are LIVING your dental assistant pledge and code!

The April meeting of the Eastern Illinois Dental Assistants Society presented a representative of the telephone company with the film entitled "Telephone Courtesy." The May meeting of this group will include a clinic on "X-Ray and Dark Room Technique."

President Maurine Wheeler is directing the efforts of the McLean County Dental Assistants Society. The April meeting was a clinic on "Mixing Cements and Silicates" presented by Mr. Wm. Kramer, Head Office Demonstrator for the S. S. White Company. The May meeting will bring an interesting trip to the "Baby Fold" in Normal, Ill., where the girls will entertain the small children. This effort is a part of their "Service Project."

The Peoria Dental Assistants Society heard Dr. John Walters of the Dentists Supply Co., New York City, speak on "Simplicity of Scientific Selection of Artificial Teeth" and he presented a film entitled "Beautiful Necessity." Dr. Walters believes dental assistants should be educated in the selection of shade and mould of teeth. Janet Lindenberg, Program Chairman, has planned the presentation of Archanna Morrison for a "Special One-Day Four-Hour Course" and extends a cordial invitation to all dental assistants in Illinois to enroll.

Juanita Little of the Western Illinois Dental Assistants Society reports this group is preparing to start its first Certification Study Course in April. Congratulations, girls!

The members of the Springfield Dental Assistants Society are looking forward to the Illinois State Convention to be held in Springfield early in May at the Leland Hotel. Helen Knoederle is Chairman of Local Arrangements. Thank you, Janet Lindenberg, State Publicity Chairman, for this report.

News from Michigan

The Jackson District Dental Assistants Society enjoyed a beautiful meeting in March when it closed its season with a dinner at the Hayes Hotel, honoring State President Ruth Maino and State Secretary Ruth Buske. Other honored guests included Dr. E. L. Schied, State Sponsor, and Local Sponsors Dr. A. H. Brown and Dr. Ford Topping. Drs. Brown and Topping installed the officers in a lovely candlelight ritual and presented each girl with a corsage. Dr. Don Lyons presented colored slides and commentary of his recent trip to Europe. These girls are looking forward to the Michigan State Meeting at the Statler Hotel, Detroit, in April when two honored guests will be ADAA President Lillian Hoffman and Sixth District Trustee Eugenia Uttech. Our appreciation for this report goes to Ruth Buske, State Secretary.

SEVENTH DISTRICT

News from North Dakota

The North Dakota State Dental Assistants Society held its Board Meeting in February in the offices of Drs. Rouelstad and Fagerlund in Grand Forks, N. D., and completed plans for the State Meeting to be held in Bismarck, N. D., in May. Alida Peterson is President of this society. Ellen Welch and Gertrude McDonald attended the Minnesota State Dental Convention held in St. Paul in February.

News from South Dakota

Audrey Javurek reports that the Sioux Falls Study Club held its Janauary and February dinner meetings at the YMCA Pine Room. The January meeting presented Dr. H. Peterson of Sioux Falls with his presentation and demonstration of his new invention for holding anterior silicate restorations, and Tom Hagman of the M. F. Patterson Co. presented a talk and movie on "Correct Mixing of Silicate Cements." The February meeting brought an unusual program when Mr. Soong Lee, a native of Korea, presented a word and picture description of his native land and people.

The Huron Dental Assistants Society held



NATRONA COUNTY, WYOMING, ASSOCIATION CERTIFICATION CEREMONY—This ceremony was held to present caps and certificates to Casper assistants. Left to right: Sponsor, Dr. L. J. Williams, Patricia Cocking, Joyce Stubson, Faye Jackson and Juanita Mowrer.

its annual election and installation of new officers in January and bid a reluctant farewell to one of its members, Arlys Ludtka. A comprehensive report on the Mid-Winter Meeting held in Chicago was given by Harriet Darling and Merle Andrews.

News from Minnesota

The 33rd Annual State Meeting of the Minnesota Hygienists and Dental Assistants Association is now in the past, and a bright and challenging new year is ahead. Congratulations are in order for the winning clinicians and poster entries. Delpha Olson of Lakefield received the Clinicians Cup and will represent Minnesota at the National Meeting in Miami. Audrey Erickson of St. Paul received the second place ribbon and third place ribbon went to Marjorie Clark of Minneapolis. The winning poster award was given to Pat Fitzgerald of Minneapolis, and second and third place ribbons were awarded to Carol Schulz of Minneapolis and Carolyn Weber of St. Paul, respectively.

Delilah M. Corbul, President of the West Central District Society of Dental Hygienists and Assistants, reports proudly on the organization of this new society. It took 500 miles of driving and countless letters but it resulted in a charter membership of 45 which has now grown to 53. Interest and enthusiasm in this new group is increasing and regular meetings garner more than 75 per cent attendance. The installation ceremony for the officers was graced by the presence of State President Mary Ferrise, who served as Installing Officer, and Ruth Asp, Superintendent of Districts, who served as Conducting Officer. State Vice President Carol Schulz presided at the Table of Friendship. An engraved gavel was presented to the new president by the State Society.

News from Iowa

Edna Johnson of Red Oak, Ia., reports the Southwest Iowa Dental Assistants Society resumed regular meetings in March after a two-month vacation. The members of this society live so far apart that it discontinues meetings during the severe weather when roads are impassable. However, this group carries its regular meetings throughout the summer. The March meeting was held in Red Oak and the

April meeting will take the form of "Doctor's Night."

News from Nebraska

Anna Wurm, Corresponding Secretary for Nebraska, sends news of the Board Meeting of the Nebraska State Dental Assistants Association held at the home of Ruth Morgan in Omaha in February. Plans were completed for the State Meeting to be held in Omaha at the Castle Hotel in May. Certification examinations are scheduled for the first day of the meeting for six dental assistants.

The Omaha Dental Assistants Society presented guest speakers Dr. Sam Weinstein on "Orthodontics" and Dr. Lynn Thompson on "Local Anesthesia" at its January meeting.

The Lincoln Dental Assistants Society reports on the guest speakers presented at recent meetings. They included Dr. D. A. Keyes with a lecture and slides on "Anatomy," Ruby Wagner, R.N., presenting a talk and demonstration on "Sterilization," Dr. Vernon Rinne lecturing on "Amalgam, Silicates and Cements," and Dr. Earl Lampshire speaking on "Patient Education—Causes and Prevention of Dental Caries." For all this stimulating news from the Seventh District, we are indebted to Pat Fitzgerald, new Seventh District Reporter. Welcome, Pat, and keep up the good work!

EIGHTH DISTRICT

News from Kansas

From the Kansas State "Bulletin" edited by Opal Ioerger, this news was gleaned. The Kansas State Annual Meeting will be held at the Allis Hotel, Wichita, Kan., in May and all Kansas dental assistants are urged to attend, take part in the meetings, enter clinics and posters and meet their sister dental assistants.

The Topeka Dental Assistants Society recently heard one of its members as guest speaker when Alice Johnson presented a clinic demonstrating how to make individual plastic impression trays.

The Kansas City Dental Assistants Society celebrated Bosses' Night with dinner and a delightful skit entitled "Do's and Don't's of the Dental Assistant" with Eleanora Kilanoski appearing as Miss Do and Audrey Clower as Miss Don't. The following meeting of this group brought the election and installation of new officers and the February meeting presented a film entitled "Cancer and Oral Lesions of the Mouth" sponsored by the Cancer Society. At this meeting, Jeannette Reed, Education Chairman, reported that six girls were completing their Certification Study Course and will be ready for Certification Examinations at Wichita in May.

The Hutchinson Dental Assistants Society reports it has started another Certification Study Course with 14 enthusiastic dental assistants enrolled and with Dr. P. L. Hoper serving as Dean of the school.

The Wichita Dental Assistants Society reports a recent meeting held in conjunction with the Medical Assistants at the Allis Hotel with Dr. Henry Hornung as guest speaker. Its next meeting was held in conjunction with the Seventh-Southern Districts Dental Meeting when the Wichita girls served as hostesses for all out-of-town girls. Installation of officers was held at this meeting. The next meeting was dinner at Wolf's Restaurant followed by a splendid program by Wanda Palmer, Personnel Director of the Southwest Bell Telephone Company.

News from Arkansas

The Greater Little Rock Dental Assistants Society held its January meeting in the YWCA. Mr. Wm. Wisecarver, Director of the Diversified Occupations Department, Little Rock High School, described the various courses, including dental assisting, offered at his school. The February meeting of this group presented Dr. Gunn and Dr. Robbins presiding at an interesting and informative roundtable discussion. The March meeting will be held at the North Little Rock Health Center. Mrs. J. H. Anderson, Executive Director of the Center, will discuss the services offered by the Center. Mrs. Gene Hogan, President of the Junior Auxiliary, will explain the organization and operation of the dental clinic for indigent children and show a film entitled "A Day in the Dental Clinic." This children's clinic is supported by the Junior Auxiliary.

Thanks to Jane Rowland of Little Rock and Alene Grimes, Arkansas State Reporter, of Fort Smith, for this news.

News from Missouri

Kathryn Goller, Editor of the Missouri State Journal, sends us news of the Missouri State Dental Assistants Association's Annual Meeting which will be held in St. Louis in June. She also tells of two local societies deserving of our applause and commendation for the charitable deeds they have performed. One is the Springfield Dental Assistants Society whose members purchased toys and presented them to the children in the Cerebral Palsy School, St. John's Hospital, Springfield, Mo. The other is the St. Louis Dental Assistants Society whose members purchased approximately 40 cases of food, model cars, table tennis, croquet, dominoes and Chinese checkers and presented them to "Boys Town of Missouri." Good work, girls!

The St. Louis Dental Assistants Society presented Dr. J. R. Ritchie, Liaison Officer of the Dental Society, as guest speaker. He chose "Tolerance" as his subject. Mr. Blackwell of the Johnson & Johnson Co. was a guest speaker also.

The Poplar Bluffs Dental Assistants Society

held a dinner meeting in February honoring Virginia Buchannan, one of its members transferring her residence to California.

The Springfield Dental Assistants Society presented Dr. Luke Howlett as a recent guest speaker and Dr. Howlatt chose "Periodontia" as his subject.

NINTH DISTRICT

News from Washington

Helen Person reports on the March meeting of the Seattle District Dental Assistants Society held in the Plymouth Room of the Mayflower Hotel. Under the guidance of President Betty Clarence, emphasis was laid on the importance of nominating and electing new officers. Dr. Herbert W. Fleege, member of the Advisory Board, was an honored guest and spoke briefly. Also a preview of the clinics to be presented at the State Meeting was a part of the program.

The 13th Annual Meeting of the Washington State Dental Assistants Association was held late in March at the Hungerford Hotel, Seattle, Wash. The meeting opened on Thursday with a House of Delegates Meeting, keynoted by the presence and the address of ADAA President Lillian Hoffman, Akron, Ohio. The Second House of Delegates held in the afternoon and Friday morning brought the General Assembly addresses by Helen Brown Fleming, President of Washington State Association, Dr. Leslie M. Fitzgerald of Dubuque, Ia., President of the American Dental Association, and Dr. Cecil H. Bliss of Sioux City, Ia., Past Chairman of the Section on Practice Management of the American Denture Society. The ever-popular clinics and posters were presented on Friday afternoon in the Olympic Hotel. On Friday evening there was a reception honoring National President Lillian Hoffman. Margaret Nolan, Publicity Chairman for the State Association, is the author of this report.

TENTH DISTRICT

News from Texas

Mozelle Whitley, Secretary and Reporter for the Austin District Dental Assistants Society, writes enthusiastically of the Dental Assistans Training Class being held at the Austin Night School and being supervised by Dr. H. B. Parks. Enrollment now has reached 17. Other lecturers in this course include Dr. W. A. Buckner lecturing on "Children's Dentistry" and Dr. J. D. Peak lecturing on "Orthodontia." Also Dr. J. W. Gossett presented a lecture on "X-Ray" and Dr. James V. Sparks gave a demonstration on "Local and General Anesthesia" in his own office. The February meeting of this group was held at the County Court House and brought the film entitled "The Dental Assistant and Effective Utilization" after which plans were completed for participation in the State Meeting. Other activities of this group include a meeting held at the Horseshoe Room of the Hitchin' Post when State President Jewel Casburn was the honored guest. Emphasis was laid upon the desirability in participating in the Certification Study Course, upon the importance of cooperation in organization, and the individual effort in membership drives.

The Dallas County Dental Assistants Society held its installation of officers at the White Plaza Hotel with Steve Ann Montgomery serving as Installing Officer and Leta Featherstone as Conducting Officer. A part of this group's service project was the collection of gifts for the Fowler Home. Guest speaker for the evening was Mrs. J. M. Patte who reviewed Sholem Asch's book "Mary."

The Fort Worth Dental Assistants Society installed its new officers with a beautiful candlelight ceremony. Mary Barrow of Dallas served as Installing Officer and Dorrie Walthall served as Conducting Officer.

The Nueces Valley District Dental Assistants Society recently held the election and installation of its officers. This group has an enthusiastic group enrolled in the Certification Study Course and also participated in the lecture course given by Archanna Morrison.

The San Antonio Dental Assistants Society held its installation ceremony for the new officers at the Menger Hotel. The traditional candlelight ceremony was carried out effectively by Betty Woodling as Installing Officer and Frances Brown as Conducting Officer.

The Smith County Dental Assistants Society presented a color film entitled "On the Other Side of the Fence," dealing with the necessary vitamins and food nutrients necessary for dental and body health, when its members met in the offices of Drs. Clyde, Pinkerton, Morris & Green.

A certification examination was given at the Baylor Dental College, Dallas, Texas.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT

News from California

We welcome news of a component society doing splendid work but unheard of until now. Mavis Bailey, Reporter for the Marin County Dental Assistants Society, tells of "Doctors' Night" when the doctors and their wives and honored guests were entertained at dinner at Hamies Chuck Wagon in San Rafael, Calif. Honored guests included the members of the Coordinating Committee for the Certification Study Course, Dr. Ralph McMurray, Chairman, and Dr. Floyd Clinite and Dr. Maurice Taylor. Retiring President Genevieve Doose conducted a short business meeting and then turned the meeting over to

those in charge of the lovely candlelight service for the installation of officers. Alberta Clinite served as Installing Officer, Evelyn Farario as Conducting Officer and Irene Monroe presided at the Table of Friendship. Guest speaker Dr. Warren Bastick presented his interesting talk on "Alopetia of the Edentulous Scalp." The following meeting was strictly a social affair, enjoyed by all, held at the beautiful home of Dr. and Mrs. Floyd Clinite. The January meeting of this group was held in the Red Cross Building in San Rafael with President Barbara Brooks in charge. Mavis Bailey was elected Director to represent Marin County at the Northern California Board of Directors Meeting in April. State Meeting Delegate is Barbara Brooks with Alternate Mavis Bailey. Program Chairman Shirley Conyers introduced guest speaker Mr. J. Berger of the telephone company who presented a talk and film entitled "Telephone Courtesy."

The Metropolitan-Oakland Dental Assistants Society, joined by the Berkeley society as guest, presented Mrs. Nerice Fugat of the "House of Charm" in San Francisco as guest speaker. Mrs. Fugat gave a well organized talk on techniques and hints for better and proper grooming. The clinic for the evening was presented by Barbara Powell and Helena Nelson with their "Miss Right and Miss Wrong in Telephone Technique." Thank you, Helena Nelson, for your interesting report.

The new year started in Southern California with the 3rd Annual Mid-Winter Educational Conference in Long Beach, Calif. The morning session presented guest speaker Mr. Raymond Selder with his talk on "Patient Management." The guest of honor at the Friendship Luncheon was Mr. James Robinson, Executive Secretary of the Southern California State Dental Association. Of special interest to the Los Angeles Dental Assistants Society was the fine tribute paid to Lois Walters who originated the Mid-Winter Conference.

At the February meeting of the Los Angeles Dental Assistants Society, the delegates and alternates to the State Meeting were elected. This meeting will be held in May at the Statler Hotel in Los Angeles when the Los Angeles members will serve as hostesses. The March meeting of the Los Angeles girls was a preview of the clinics to be presented at the State Meeting. These clinics were judged by four prominent Southern California doctors, Drs. Fern Petty, Harvey Leach, Gilbert Sewall and John Abel. The clinics were "Do's and Don't's in Pantomime," "Snyder Test for Caries," "Better Laboratory Models," "Ins and Outs in a Dental Office," and "Hints in Orthodontia." First prige went to Lu Ann Fedderson and Barbara Brown for their clinic "Do's and Dont't's in Pantomime." A Certification Examination will be held April 10 and Mildred Ann Hollis, Reporter for the Los Angeles Society, reports the Certification Program is receiving enthusiastic support in Southern California.

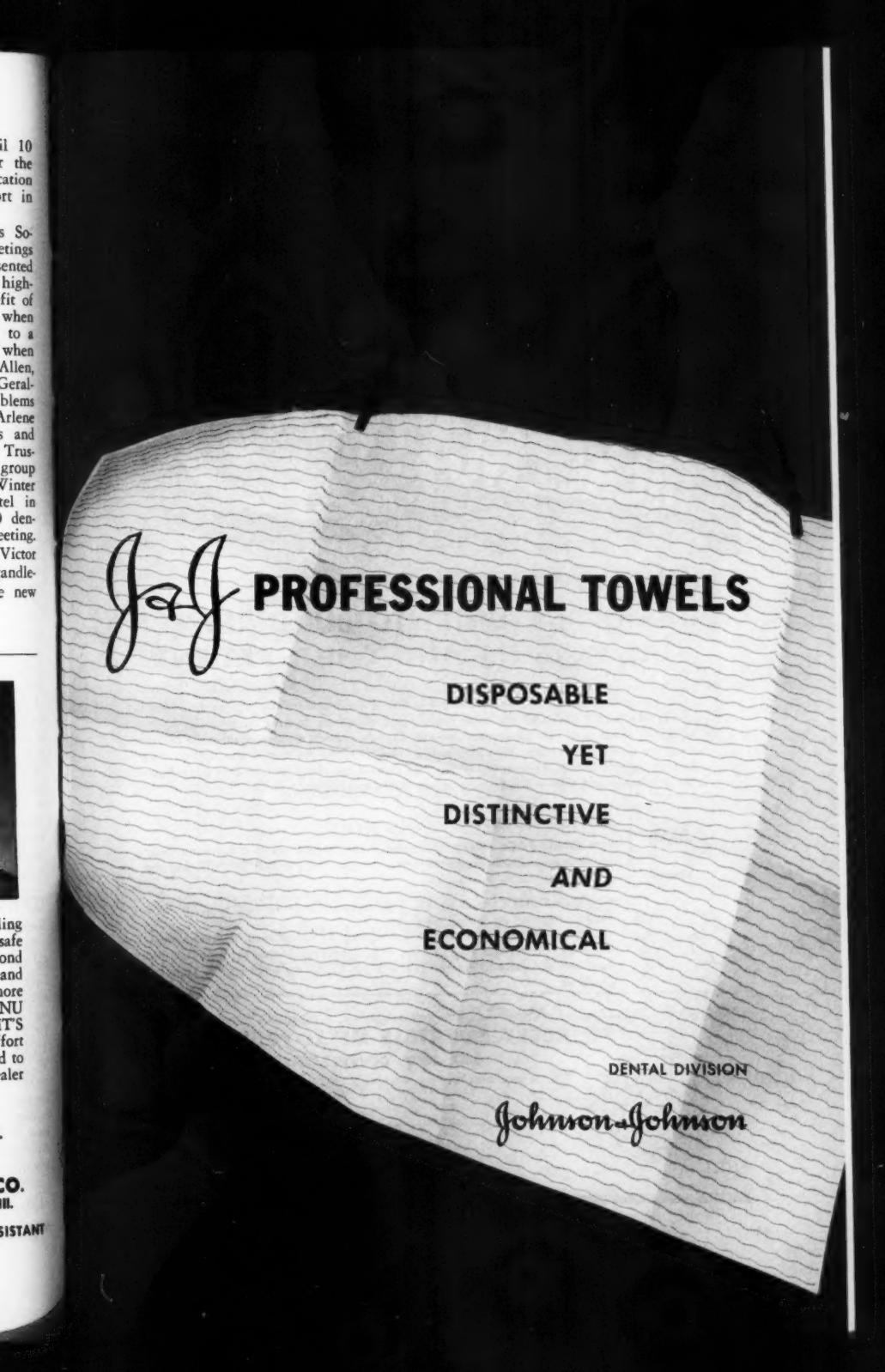
The Third District Dental Assistants Society has been busy with interesting meetings including one when Dr. Max Gatov presented his captivating lecture on "Hypnosis," a highly successful rummage sale for the benefit of the society's funds, a Service Project when food, clothing and toys were presented to a needy family, and a Capping Ceremony when Janet Hardie, Virginia Glass, Dorothy Allen, Geraldine Blair, Florence Tooker and Geraldine Shorlich received their coveted Emblems and Certificates of Certification. Arlene O'Leary, Instructor, presented the caps and Mary Ann Whalley, Eleventh District Trustee, gave an inspiring address. This group served as hostesses to the 3rd Mid-Winter Conference held at the Lafayette Hotel in Long Beach when an approximate 300 dental assistants attended this successful meeting. The February meeting was held at the Victor Hugo Restaurant when the traditional candlelight ceremony was used to install the new officers.



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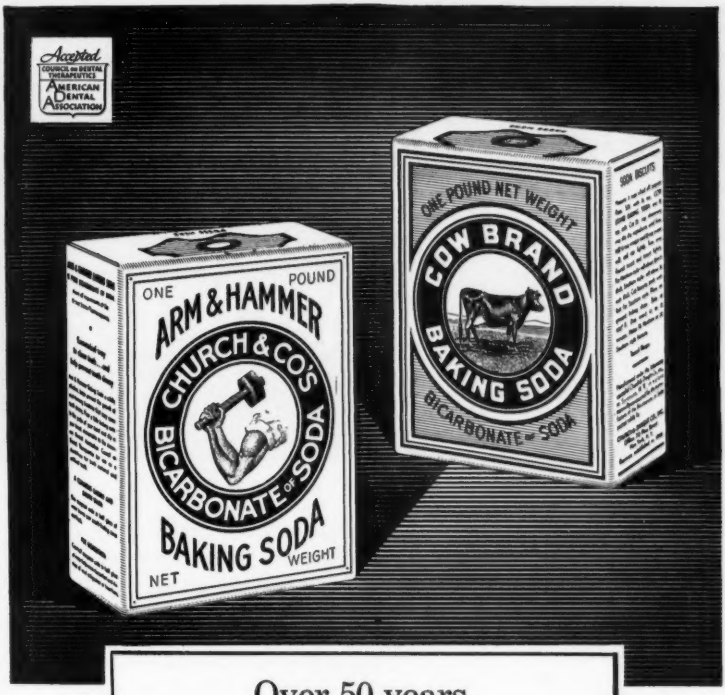
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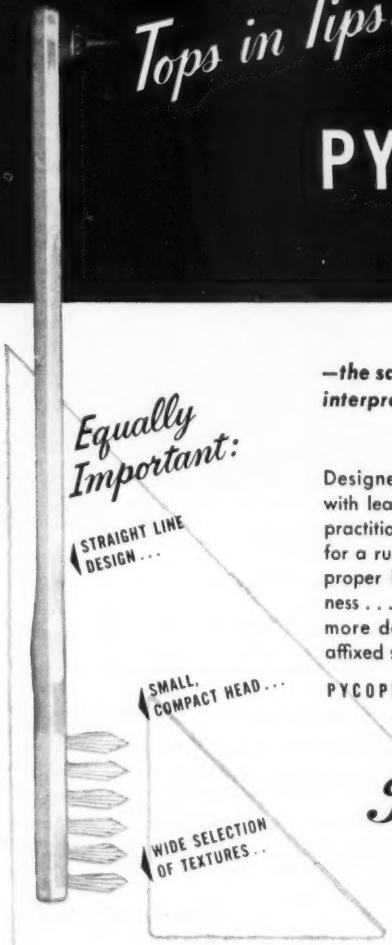
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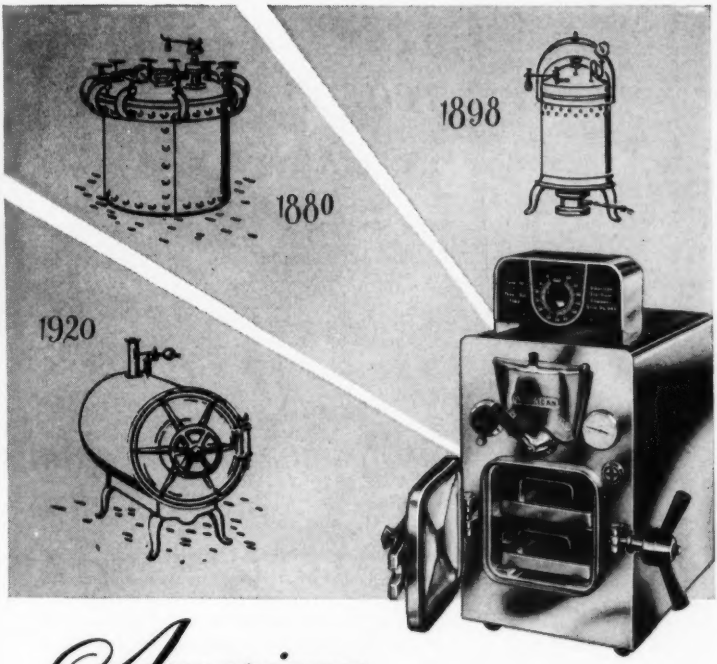
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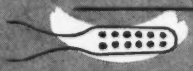
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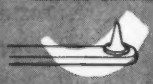
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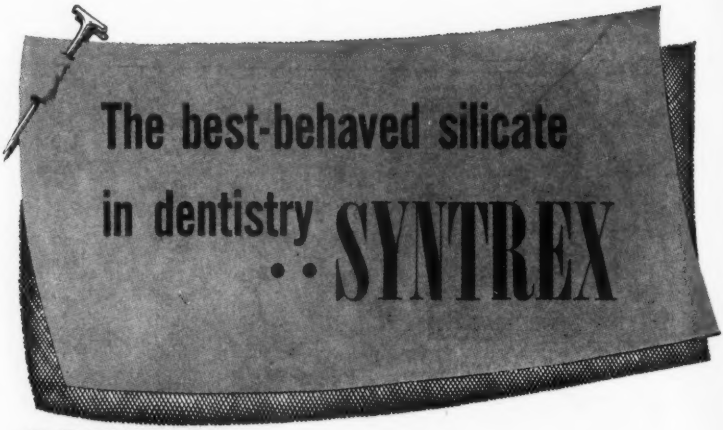
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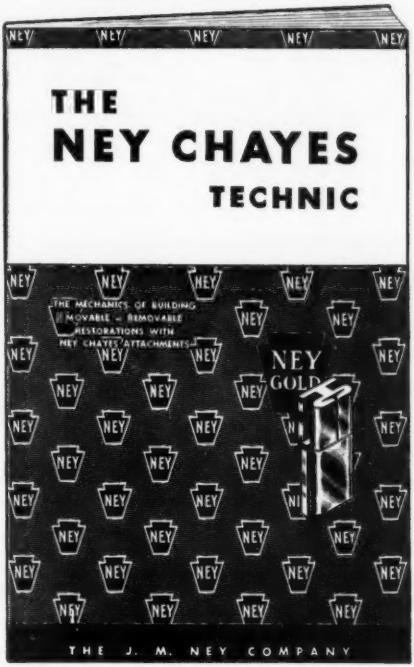
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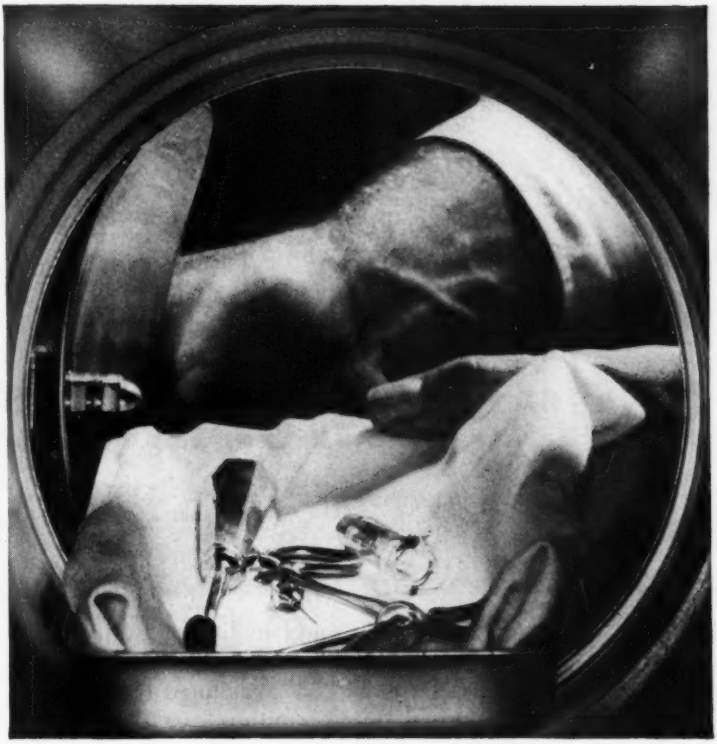
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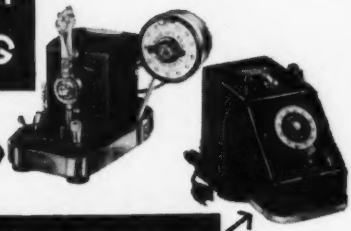
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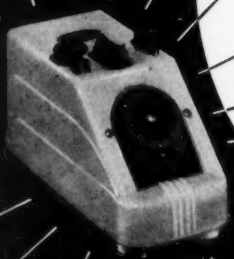
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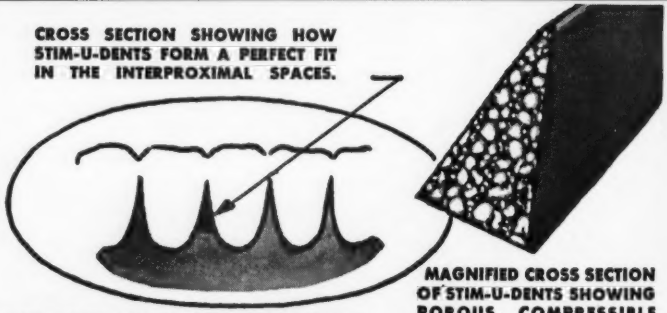
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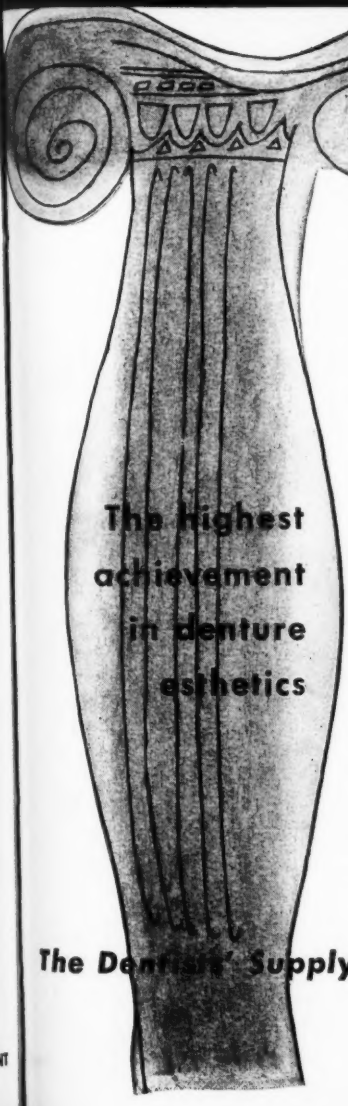
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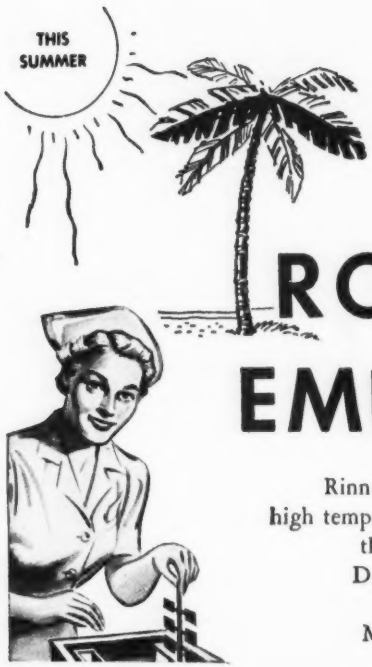
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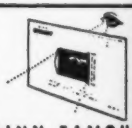
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